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WILD BLIZZARD RAGES IN EAST

Chicagoans Suffer Severely in Record Storm of the Season

SEVERAL DEATHS REPORTED

Railway and Street Car Traffic Blocked in Several Districts

Chicago, Feb. 18.—Several deaths, many injuries and much suffering followed today in the wake of one of the worst blizzards experienced in this section in several years. Traffic on surface and suburban lines is practically tied up tonight, and downtown hotels are filled with residents of outlying districts who found themselves unable to reach their homes. The storm, which broke early in the day, raged with increasing fury until nightfall, subsiding towards midnight.

One of the most tragic occurrences in connection with the storm was the wrecking in the harbor at Waukegan of the fishing boat Anspach, in which two men lost their lives and six others had a narrow escape from death. The boat left the harbor early in the day to visit nets set ten miles out in Lake Michigan. Caught in the storm on the return trip, the vessel battled with the elements until it regained the harbor at 6 o'clock in the evening, only to be blown against a protection wall and crushed. Capt. Oliver Rubier and five men, composing the crew, were thrown upon an ice pack, four of the men succeeding in clinging to the ice and being rescued. Two slid into the water and were drowned.

By 4 o'clock in the afternoon, seven inches of snow had fallen, and it was still coming down heavily. The weather bureau forecasted a foot of snow by morning. The wind at frequent intervals blew with a velocity of 50 miles an hour, and it hurled the snow through the streets in such blinding clouds that it was impossible to see for a greater distance than a half block, and often the range of vision would be limited to a few feet.

A great number of accidents of a minor character were caused by the collisions between wagons and street cars. Up to 6 o'clock tonight no serious accidents had been reported, although quite a number of persons had been injured by wagons and by falls on the pavements. The heavy increase of snow that came in the afternoon made desperate work for the street car companies. Every available man and all the snowplows were constantly at work in keeping the tracks clear. The Illinois railway experienced great difficulty during the evening in moving its suburban trains. In some instances the trains remained stalled for hours. The Illinois Central, Chicago & Northwestern and Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railways reported incoming trains three to seven hours late.

The storm centre during the evening was over Springfield, Ill., and was moving northward, with a probability that it would pass over Chicago early tomorrow morning. The snow fall was general in eastern Iowa and Nebraska, northern Missouri, central and northern Illinois and Indiana and Wisconsin.

Omaha reported the heaviest fall in twenty years, nearly fourteen inches, entailing much delay and suffering to live stock en route to eastern markets. Several trains are said to be more than fifteen hours overdue.

The weather forecast announced late tonight that there is little relief in sight, more snow being the prospect, with falling temperature.

Ontario's Ore Royalties

Toronto, Feb. 18.—The income from ore royalties last year was $50,901.32.

Lady Gzowski Dead

Toronto, Feb. 18.—Lady Mary Bebee Gzowski, widow of the late Sir Casmir Gzowski, K.C.M.G., A.D.C., died this morning at her residence at Glen Road, aged 95. She was the daughter of an eminent United States physician and married Sir Casmir in 1839.

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KILLED THREE MEN

Explosion of Powder in a New Jersey Factory—Express Train Riddled

Wharton, N. J., Feb. 18.—An explosion in the mixing department of the General Explosive company in this village today killed three men, broke nearly every window in the stores and residences in Wharton and some windows in Dover, two miles distant.

The killed are Joseph Hough, one of the officials of the company; David Utter and James Kevern, workmen.

The small building in which the men were at work was demolished and the men were blown to pieces. The force of the explosion was felt for a great distance.

The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western express train was passing the powder works at the time of the explosion. Every window on one side of the train was broken, several passengers were severely cut by flying glass and many others slightly hurt. Most of the injured were able to continue their journey after a new train of parlor cars had been made up at Stroudsburgh. Three, however, were so severely hurt that they stopped off at Washington, N. J., for medical attention.

Mr. Bryan Their Choice

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 18. — The Democratic state central committee met here today and unanimously adopted resolutions endorsing William J. Bryan for the nomination for president.

Conference With Mr. Bryce

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—The premier held a conference today with Right Hon. Jas. Bryce and the governor-general, when the British ambassador to Washington presented the proposals of the United States government for the adjustment of matters in dispute with Great Britain, in so far as Canada is concerned.

LAW IN MANITOBA GOVERNING LIQUOR

Request For Early Closing of Bars Rejected—New Bill Discussed

Winnipeg, Feb. 18.—Hon. Robt. Rogers, minister of public works, announced in the legislature last night that the goverment will not accede to the prayer of the numerous petitions that the bars be closed at 6 o'clock. There were eighteen separate petitions. In moving the second reading of his liquor bill, the minister said hotelkeepers were generally observing the law, and attributed much of the drunkenness in the city to "blind pigs," in respect of which there had been 165 convictions in the last year.

A large deputation waited upon Hon. Robt. Rogers, minister of public works, this morning, and asked that the proposed amendments to the liquor licenses act be not railroaded through the house at this session. They pointed out that the bill was new to the public, as it only become known last Friday. The people had not had a chance to consider and deal with it. They asked for an independent commission, similar to the commission which was appointed by the United States government. This commission could go into the matter thoroughly and secure all data possible and submit their report to the legislature at the next session. By leaving the matter over for another period it would give the people a chance to think the matter over.

They did not think it was workable, in its present construction, and asked that a large commission be appointed by the government. The minister of public works promised the deputation consideration.

Discussing the liquor bill introduced in the legislature by Hon. Robt. Rogers, Mayor Ashdown this morning expressed approval of the clause, making constables de facto license inspectors. He said that this would go a long way towards the eradication of the evil. In his opinion the illicit sale of liquor helped to maintain a large proportion of the houses, and making a license inspector of every constable would go a long way towards the stamping out of the whole business.

STOESSEL'S TRIAL

Decision of Court Martial in General's Case Likely to Be Rendered Today

St. Petersburg, Feb. 18.—The trial of Lieutenant-General Stoessel reached the last act today, the prosecution waiving the privilege of putting in rebuttal to the defence.

The last word was given to the accused general, who uttered only a few sentences in a firm voice, and shouldered the entire responsibility for the surrender of Port Arthur. "If the court decides that the surrender was a crime," he concluded, "I ask for the death sentence."

The court is expected to close the proceedings tomorrow with its decision.

Supreme Court Judgments

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—The supreme court met this morning for its winter term when judgments were delivered as follows: Tanquay vs. the Canadian Pacific company, appeal dismissed with costs; Girouard and Idington, J. J., dissenting. Union Investment company vs. Wells, appeal allowed with costs; Idington and Maclennan, J. J., dissenting. MacIlreith vs. Hart, appeal dismissed with costs. Montreal Park and Island Railway company vs. Labrosse, appeal quashed with costs.

Manitoba Farmers.

Winnipeg, Feb. 18.—The annual convention of the Manitoba provincial agricultural societies opened this morning at the agricultural college. Some two hundred delegates are present and others are expected in tonight.

SECRETARY TAFT MAKES A SPEECH

Strong Approval of the Policy Pursued by President Roosevelt

CRUISE OF BATTLESHIPS

Plea for Help to Improve Condition of People of the Philippines

Concord, N. H., Feb. 18.—In reference to the Philippine islands, United States Secretary of War Taft, in an address delivered here today, said:

"Ladies and Gentlemen: I appeal to you whether the task of helping a poor, unfortunate people that have been brought under our trusteeship and guardianship, even if it costs us six or eight millions a year, is not a task worthy of a great nation like ours? The fact that we have expanded in this way gives us an influence among the nations of the world that I hope will always be used for good and the national morality.

"You all remember our Democratic opponents attacking the president, Theodore Roosevelt, when he was running for the presidency, as a gentleman whom it was unsafe to trust with the power of government—that as soon as the shadow of McKinley's administration had lifted, and he was given an important position from the people, he would get into a fight at once. What has been the result of the increase of the navy and Theodore Roosevelt at the head of it? Never before in the history of the world has a president or a king made so much for right business and peace among nations as the present.

"I was in the Philippines when the report was current that we were going to war with Japan, and there was a greatly unsettled feeling in the Philippines. When they heard that the battleships, sixteen of them, were going in the Pacific, that unsettled feeling ceased to be. The truth is that in the Orient it is necessary to fill the measure of the eye in order to be convincing. And while all Orientals have that trait, Occidentals are also influenced in the same way, though to a less extent.

"It is nobody's business where these battleships are going, provided they keep to the ocean and do not interfere with anybody's land. They are only on a practice trip. They are going to the Pacific side of this country, where we have a coast line nearly as long as that of the Atlantic side, and it is a proper measure of training for our navy."

Discussing the prosecution of corporations by the government, the secretary said:

"When men who are poor and humble who violate the laws it is easy by process of court to seize and convict the prisoner, but the wealthy men who have influence it takes courage in the government authorities to bring to the bar.

"The people are awakening; they are determined to see what is going on, and that is the effect of the interstate commerce law, to give publicity to everything that is done on the railroads.

'It is the business of the republican party to avail of this moral awakening of the people so as to give reasonable measures to prevent further violations of the law, without destroying or injuring the sacred guarantees of life, liberty and property that have been handed down to us by our fathers."

KURDS THREATENING ADVANCE ON PERSIA

Poor Chance of Successful Resistance—The Russian Bourse Panicky

St. Petersburg, Feb. 18.—Under the influence of war talk today the bourse continued the slight decline which has marked the conditions for some time past.

Tiflis, Feb. 18.—Kurdish hordes, commanded by Ali Khan, have advanced on the village of Niandab, where Prince Firma, the Persian minister of justice, recently appointed governor of the province of Azerbaijan, now has made his headquarters, and a clash with these Kurds, it is feared, would prove disastrous to the prince, as the Persian troops are disorganized.

Recent dispatches from Tabriz indicated that the outlook was bad for Prince Firma, who is endeavoring to protect the Persian frontier against Turkish aggression. His forces consist largely of undisciplined recruits, whose services were of little or no value.

MUST REFUND EXPENSES

Mayor of Halifax Illegally Paid Costs of Traveling Out of City's Treasury

Halifax, Feb. 18.—By a decision of the supreme court of Canada, rendered today, Mayor McIlreith will have to refund to the city of Halifax the sum of $400 paid by the city for his traveling expenses in attending the convention of the organization of Canadian municipalities in Winnipeg in 1905. The suit for the restitution of the money was instituted by the late R. I. Hart. The case was in the first instance dismissed, and then on appeal judgment was entered in favor of the plaintiff. Mayor MacIlreith carried the case to the supreme court of Canada, which heard the appeal last November, and today gave judgment confirming the decision against him.

BOOMING "UNCLE JOE"

Speaker Cannon's Illinois Colleague Puts in a Word For Him in the House

Washington, Feb. 18.—Speaker Cannon's presidential boom received a large impetus in the House of Representatives today, when Mr. Boutelle, his colleague from Illinois, brought up the subject in the climax of a half hour speech. His remarks were based on the fact that today was the thirty-fourth anniversary of Mr. Cannon's first speech in the house

Mr. Boutelle spoke with enthusiasm, and when he closed with the remark that within the next few months "the plain people of the country would join the voters of Mr. Cannon's district in conferring upon him the nation's finest honor, the speaker was accorded a great demonstration.

Keen disappointment was felt on all sides when the Speaker made no reply. He stepped from the rostrum amid cheering and retired to his room, while the house considered the pension.

Prominent Montrealer Dead.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—Henry R. Gray, for many years one of the leading retail druggists of this city, former member of the city council, and the man to whom Montreal was principally indebted for its success in fighting the smallpox epidemic of 1885, died at his home here today.

York Loan Company.

Toronto, Feb. 18 —In the case of the York Loan and Savings company the official referee, George Kappele, gave judgment today in connection with four classes of shareholders, disallowing about $500,000 out of claims totalling $635,000, the former amount to be applied for the benefit of the general body of shareholders.

JAPANESE VESSEL ON CHILIAN COAST

Another Nightmare Provided in Connection With the "Armada"

Valparaiso, Feb. 18.—The cruise along the coast of Chili of the Japanese steamer Kassato maru has, in view of the proximity of the American battleship fleet, attracted considerable attention here. The Kassato maru left Iquique on January 23, and steamed out to sea. Nothing was heard from her until two days ago, when she arrived at Totopilla, a small town 140 miles from Iquique. The fact that the vessel spent 24 days between these two points leads to the suspicion in some quarters that she has been observing the progress of the American fleet, or studying the Chilian coast in the vicinity of Totopilla.

The Kassato maru is equipped with wireless telegraph. She belongs to the Japanese government, and left Japan in October for Honolulu, where she arrived on November 7. Since then she has been reported at Callao, Arica and other points on the Chilian coast.

She is of 3,100 tons, has twin screws and was built at Newcastle in 1900.

Lima, Peru, Feb. 18, 1:50 a. m.—A wireless despatch has just been received here from the fleet of American battleships under Rear-Admiral Evans. It is dated Tuesday, 9:45 a. m., and says that at that hour the vessels were 380 miles from Callao.

ICE TRUST INQUIRY

Affairs of Mr. Morse's Big Combine Will Require Time for Investigation

New York, Feb. 18.—It will probably be at least two weeks before the investigation of the American Ice company, which Attorney-General Jackson will make by direction of Governor Hughes, is taken up by the grand jury.

This announcement was made by James Osborne, who has been appointed a special deputy to conduct the investigation. Mr. Osborne had spent about an hour with the jury today before he made his announcement. He said he had obtained much valuable evidence from the district attorney, but that it will be necessary to gather much more before he will be satisfied to present the case to the jury. This will necessitate visits to Maine and New Jersey for the proofs he desires of the formation of the different companies of which the American Ice company is composed.

BETWEEN TWO FIRES

China Fears Japanese Imitation of Russia's Municipal Establishment

Pekin, Feb. 18.—In view of the protest lodged by China against the establishment of a municipal administration by Russia at Harbin, the Russian minister to China, M. Pokotiloff, has communicated to the representatives of the powers here an explanation of the Russian position.

He says the Russian terms in this matter are justified by the convention with China giving Russia the right to administer her lands in Manchuria.

Although the Russian municipalities in Manchuria are being established, as in the case of Harbin, for instance, the procedure is a source of anxiety to China, especially in view of the attitude assumed by Japan. The Tokio government is making extensive plans to follow the example of Russia and set up ex-territorial municipalities in Manchuria to accommodate the increasing Japanese population.

Hartwick's Trial.

London, Feb. 18.—James Hartwick is on trial, charged with the murder of his wife. The evidence of Dr. Ford of Thorndale in the form of a written report, shows that death was due to shock and hemorrhage, and that the woman had been killed in a manner unprecedented in the annals of criminal history.

IMMIGRATION ACT AT OTTAWA

To Be Taken Into Consideration By Dominion Cabinet Immediately

RAILWAY QUESTIONS UP

Minister of Finance to Introduce Government Annuity Scheme

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—British Columbia's Natal act reached the secretary of state this afternoon. It will receive the immediate consideration of the cabinet. British Columbia members of the Commons are said to be unanimous for disallowance, but it is not likely action will be taken in that regard until the courts have had an opportunity to decide as to the constitutionality of the act.

Today's session of the house was almost entirely devoted to the discussion of W. F. Maclean's reciprocal demurrage bill, by which railways are to be compelled to pay shippers for delay in furnishing cars just as they now require payment for failure to unload promptly. Mr Maclean introduced his bill in a moderate speech. Mr. Maclean complained that the railways of Canada gave the United States shippers not only the best of their equipment but also the best rates. He did not object the railways doing American business, so long as the Canadian shipper got fair treatment. Canada should be served first.

The bill requires railways to provide cars within 96 hours after application. Failing to do this, the company must pay the shipper a dollar per day. A person not loading a car within 48 hours is liable to the same penalty.

Hugh Guthrie, who followed, contended that the present legislation gave all the remedy desirable. If the railways were giving American traffic the preference they were discriminating against themselves. Any delay in moving freight was due to the abnormal activity of Canada during the last few years. The railway commission was the proper body to deal with the matter.

E D. Smith agreed with the principle of Mr. Maclean's bill. Last fall he had asked for twenty-five cars to ship fruit to the Northwest, but all he could get was one solitary car.

Mr. Turriff thought that some drastic action would have to be taken to do away with delays.

Dr. Schaffner thought the railways should be bound to move their cars within a reasonable delay. Last year the railways deserved a great deal of credit for the manner in which they kept up business in spite of adverse conditions.

Haughton Lennox said the bill was one of reciprocal justice. The bill should be sent to the railway committee, where all views could be heard.

Mr. Lanctot, Dr. Sproule and Mr. Crawford supported the bill Hon. Mr. Graham announced that he would shortly bring in a bill to enlarge the personnel and power of the railway commission to enable them to deal with such questions as reciprocal demurrage, which were still in the theoretical class.

Mr. Borden agreed that the railway commission should be re-organized and its powers increased. The present railway act afforded fair protection to the public, provided it was carried out.

Messrs. Lake and Herron spoke and R. McDonald moved the adjournment of the debate after Mr. Maclean had reiterated his contention that it was not the duty of the Railway Commission to deal with matters of this kind.

The House then took up Mr. Turriff's bill providing that when a company gets a charter it shall commence and operate at least ten per cent. of the line within two years. The bill was referred to the railway committee.

A petition against the new French treaty was introduced by E. D Smith, signed by two thousand grape growers in Niagara district, who object to the reduction of the duty on French light wines.

Mr. Oliver introduced his bill to amend the irrigation act. The railway commission is given authority to decide disputes between municipal authorities and irrigation companies. Steps are also taken to facilitate the carrying out of drainage works by the provincial authorities

Hon. Mr. Fielding gives notice of a resolution in favor of a government system practically of accident insurance and of annuities of not less than $50 and not more than $600. They are to be purchased by paying a single sum or periodical payments, the rate of interest to be fixed by the governor-in-council. Such annuities to be payable after attaining the age of 55, or on disablement. Moneys paid in by an annuitant to be repaid, should the annuitant die, before the annuity is payable to his or her heirs, with 3 per cent. interest. The provision regarding the payment of annuities after disablement is a departure from Sir Richard Cartwright's scheme of last session

A petition has been presented by a large number of Saskatchewan farmers, praying that odd-numbered sections of the Dominion lands may be thrown open to homesteaders, and asking that existing homesteaders be allowed the privilege to acquire quarter sections adjoining their homesteads.

Hon. Mr. Brodeur gives notice of a resolution that it is expedient to authorize the governor-in-council to enter into a contract for a term not exceeding ten years with any individual or company for performance of steamship service between Canada and France, and to grant therefor a subsidy of $100,000.

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MANY MEASURES ARE ADVANCED

Legislature Finally Commits the University Bill With But Few Changes

ELECTION LAW ADDITIONS

Bill Which Defines "Householder" Given Its Second Reading

The University bill was finally committed and reported to the house at the sitting of the legislature yesterday. Very few changes have been made in the measure and such as have are of a very minor nature. To a great extent the bill will come up for third reading as it was introduced by its author, Hon. Dr. Young, minister of education.

The resolution of Mr. Hawthornthwaite looking to the appointment of an imperial commission to fully inquire into the Japanese and Oriental immigration question, was introduced by that gentleman. At some length, he reviewed the situation, and his remarks elicited applause both from his own slender following and from several members on the Conservative side of the house. The member for Nanaimo was rather more moderate in putting his case in this instance than generally, though in the course of his remarks he said that the Japanese quarter in Vancouver was an armed camp. He asserted that unless further measures were taken to stop the influx of Orientals by either the Dominion or the provincial governments, the white population of Vancouver would take radical action and he prophesied that a clash would there occurr which would ring round the world.

The act amending and consolidating the law relating to municipal elections was given its second reading. The bill includes the section defining the vexed word "householder," which, in this city, will do away with the universal woman's suffrage, which has virtually existed at recent municipal elections. The ladies' gallery was crowded with local advocates of women's suffrage, but the measure passed second reading without either demonstration or violence. The bill will probably be committed tomorrow, and it is possible that an effort will be made to introduce some amendments.

The speaker gave his ruling on the point raised the previous sitting by the member for Yale (Stuart Henderson), with regard to the bill for the protection of workers in factories. He held that the procedure under which the bill had been launched by motion was perfectly correct in the light of the procedure adopted in the imperial parliament with similar measures.

The amendment proposed by Parker Williams (New Castle) to the incorporating the Crows Nest and Northern railway was lost. The latter looked to the insertion of a clause providing that no Orientals should be employed in the construction of the said railway. In the division by which it was negatived, J. A. Macdonald, the Liberal leader, with others of his party, voted with the government.

More progress was made yesterday with the various bills upon the order paper than at any previous sitting. Hon. Dr. Young's measure regarding the approval of cemetery sites was read a third time. This is designed to prevent the contamination of water courses by placing cemeteries near them. The measure introduced by the same minister amending the Hospital act was also read a third time and passed.

The second reading of the bill to prevent discrimination against members of trades unions, introduced by the Socialistic member for Grand Fork (John McInnis) wss negatived, though several Conservatives voted for the measure. It was pointed out by Mr. Hayward (Cowichan) that the measure would defeat its own purpose and would virtually have the effect of making the "open shop" principle prevail throughout the province.

Notice of his intention to move for leave to introduce a bill providing an eight-hour day for workers in marine and shipbuilding yards has been given by Mr. Hawtthornthwaite, while Dr. G. A. B. Hall (Nelson) will tomorrow ask for a return of all papers regarding the failure of the recent statutory sitting of the supreme court at Nelson to materialize.

The speaker took the chair at 2.30 o'clock Prayers by Rev. H. A. Carson.

Wants Imperial Commission

Mr. Hawthornthwaite—"I beg, sir, to move that

Whereas a conflict of interests has arisen between the province of British Columbia and the Dominion of Canada in respect to Oriental immigration into British Columbia; and

Whereas a treaty, known as the Anglo-Japanese treaty, has been endorsed by the Dominion government; and

Whereas the said treaty contained the following section:

"The subjects of each of the two high contracting parties shall have full liberty to enter, travel or reside in any part of the dominions and possessions of the other contracting party, and shall enjoy full and perfect protection for their persons and property."

And whereas the industrial and labor interests of British Columbia have been seriously affected by the abnormal influx of Japanese immigrants under said section; and

Whereas laws enacted by this province to regulate said immigration have been uniformly disallowed by the Dominion authorities; and

Whereas the existing condition cannot continue without injuring the various interests referred to, and further endangering the good understanding that has existed between the people of Japan and the people of this province.

Therefore be it resolved, that this house memorialialize the Imperial government, through the colonial secretary, to appoint a royal commission to fully inquire into all the circumstances in connection with these matters.

Anything Underhand?

This subject, sir, is one of the most interesting and important that has come before this house during the present session; and has agitated our people, the business men as well as the working classes more than any other subject, which is now under general consideration. And I hold that it is the duty of this legislature before it adjourns, not only to reach some definite conclusion in respect to this pressing matter, but to do something that may possibly alleviate the situation, and show the people of this province that we are really attending to their interests and are really trying to perform our duty. On two different occasions, sir, I have endeavored to bring this question to a head, and have an investigation made into the causes which have led to this extraordinary influx, and on both occasions, I failed in my purpose owing to the adverse views of other members. I think, sir, that my motion is so framed that it fully covers the ground, and I cannot conceive how any member can consistently urge any strong or valid objection to it. And while both parties, Liberal and Conservative, are in this province, on record as being strongly opposed to this most extraordinary and most undesirable influx, it appears to me, that the great majority of the people of British Columbia, are not aware of the circumstances, which underlie and have led up to the present state of things. And it would further seem, that notwithstanding the discussions that have taken place in this house, and all that has been said, and done, and the work of the commission, which was appointed to enquire into this matter, some facts are still being held back, therefore, I maintain that it is the right of the people of this province, and of the members of this legislature, to be placed in possession of all the circumstances. And if there has been any misunderstanding, or if any misleading statements have been made, or if there has been any underhand proceedings on the part of the people at Ottawa, or by anyone else, no matter whom, we are certainly not in a position to come to a decision, unless we have all the facts before us.

Conflict of Opinion.

A conflict of opinion has arisen between the people of this province and the Dominion government and practically with all the rest of Canada, viewed from the standpoint of representation in the Dominion house of commons, and the actions of the Dominion government in endorsing the Japaese treaty with the immigration clause shows at once and most conclusively that the Dominion government is not at all in accord with the strong views which are held by the people of this province in relation to this matter. And not only are they not in accord, but they do not understand the feeling of our people on this subject, while some of the highest personages in the Dominion—such as Sir Wilfrid Laurier—are found making the most extraordinary statements on the floor of the house of commons in relation to this treaty. Sir Wilfrid Laurier in particular has drawn a fanciful picture—a pen picture—and I trust that it is a purely fanciful picture, of the British and Japanese fleets sweeping to destruction some common enemy. I, however, not only hope but entirely believe that no such treaty exists between these governments, and I am satisfied that the people of the British empire will never for a moment consider or endorse any such arrangements.

Who Is the Enemy?

Now, Sir, who is this common enemy? It cannot be France, for Sir Wilfrid Laurier is a Frenchman. Is it Germany? Is it the United States? Now, this is an important matter, because if the United States and Japan are not really, they are practically, on the verge of war. But on the other hand, who for a moment can conceive of the Japanese entering into an alliance to sweep Oriental races from the seas!

The Japanese are at this moment, Sir, trying to found a huge and colossal empire of Oriental and colored races, and undoubtedly, sir, that great empire will not be managed in the interest of the white peoples of the world, and in particular of Canada or of the British empire. And it is only a question of time when we will learn what will be the result of this ambition as regards the white races and more particularly those that live on this continent.

Surely there must be some misunderstanding when we are now informed from London that when Sir Wilfrid Laurier was asked, when the adoption of the Anglo-Japanese treaty by Canada was under consideration, whether he desired the immigration clauses to be excluded, and he replied that he did not wish to take advantage of the opportunity which was then presented to him by the Imperial government. Now, Sir, the people of this country wish to know the truth about this, while they are further united in demanding an investigation into the conduct of the lieutenant-governor.

Should Be Made Impossible.

Such a condition of affairs should be made impossible, and should be passed upon by a commission appointed by the imperial house. Whatever opinions, sir we may hold in respect to commissions here, we still have some faith in the imperial house, in view of the splendid work which they have done there, in utter disregard of the effect on any political party or on the government in power. The thorough and complete investigation which was made into the Transvaal army scandal is a case in point, and we would not only have the satisfaction of securing a thorough enquiry, but we would have the views of the Japanese people, who have themselves passed exclusion laws, directed against the Chinese.

Something Will Happen.

I have stated, and very strongly, sir, on the floor of this house, that if our object is not accomplished along constitutional lines, the working classes will resort and will be compelled to resort to methods which are not regarded as being constitutional. And, sir, we have precedents. For we have seen again and again that where the people, and more especially the people of Great Britain, are oppressed, they have taken the law into their own hands and dealt summarily with the situation. I admit that such methods are not proper methods, but I must warn you and the members of this legislature that the people, and more particularly the working classes, of British Columbia, are in deadly earnest on this question, and mean business. And they are now practically awaiting the closing of this house, as well as of the house of commons, and, mark my words, sir, if something is not done by these houses to remedy the present state of affairs something will certainly be done by the people of British Columbia. We know that the Japanese quarter in Vancouver is simply an armed camp, ready and waiting for trouble, and are we going to stand idly by until another riot develops, and a riot which will assuredly become historic in the annals of the world. And mark my words, sir, that such will be the result of inaction. All this is true, and known to be true, and are we going to allow this condition of affairs to develop. And when it is all done, throw the blame upon the representatives of labor, of whom I am one, and fail to see that we are guilty, for the existence of this condition of things, which has been entirely brought about through the fault of the Dominion and local governments. If the labor vote controlled both houses such a state of affairs would not exist, and I consider it to be the duty of every member of this house accepting fully the onus and responsibility which are ours to support my motion.

Hon. Mr. McBride: I move the adjournment of the debate.

University Bill

The house resumed consideration of the University hill, and section 4, as amended was adopted.

Hon. Dr. Young: Before the committee rises I wish to say that I have received a letter from Rev. Dr. Sipprell, principal of Columbian college, in which he, and in a very nice manner, takes me to task for some remarks which I made while the house has been in committee on this bill. I think that my hon. friend will agree with me in the statement that the whole debate has been conducted on very, very fair lines, and that one particular denomination was mentioned simply in the way of an example, which involved all denominations, and while I may have said that Columbian college seemed to think it had a pull on higher education, I did not mean it at all in that sense, but I merely used the phrase in answer to a remark which fell from the hon. member for Yale. I am persuaded that my hon. friend from Rossland will agree with me in saying this: that during the debate in this house I never tried in any way to reflect on Columbian college, on which indeed I looked as one of the starting points for the provincial university. I may further say that on this letter of Dr. Sipprell's appear the names of three clergymen, every one of whom has the degree of B. A. and D. D., and I consider that no better argument than this could be offered for section 91. (Hear, hear.)

The committee rose and reported the bill with amendments.

Municipal Election Law

Hon. Mr. Bowser in moving the second reading of the bill to amend the law relating to electors and elections in municipalities explained that it was a very necessary consolidation of the various municipal acts which had for some time been required. The department had had the advantage of the advice of the Union of Municipalities in preparing the measure, and it had been considered and passed upon by the municipal committee.

The bill was read the second time.

Railway Assessment Act

The house went into committee on the railway assessment amendment bill.

Mr. Henderson (Yale) inquired whether two of the C. P. R. hotels which were on the right-of-way were included in the assessment of the company's properties, and Hon. Mr. Tatlow promised to look into the matter and bring down the information at another time.

Crow's Nest & Northern.

On the bill to incorporate the Crow's Nest & Northern Railway company being taken up, Parker Williams (Newcastle) moved to add the following: "Provided always, that neither directly nor indirectly shall any person of Oriental birth or extraction be employed in the construction of the said railway."

He justified his proposal on the ground that the mountainous nature of the province gave the railway company which was first in the field practically an exclusive right, and in these circumstances they had the right to impose conditions from which the risk of disallowance should not deter. Corporations and franchise-mongers had, however, undoubtedly a great deal of influence at Ottawa, where unquestionably they could have their desires granted. (Hear, hear.)

For Putting Him on Record.

W. R. Ross (Fernie): In reply to the hon. gentleman, I may say I feel that this amendment has been offered rather with the view of putting me on record as being apparently opposed to the interests of the workingmen, than for any useful purpose, as the house has already during the present session practically dealt with this very question. It seems to me that the hon. gentleman cannot really be serious in his expectation, that his amendment will be adopted, as the view which is held by the majority of the members of this house in regard to these private bills is, that wherever we can secure the construction of the road without granting concessions with money value, we ought to assist by every means within our power. And it does seem to me, in view of the fact that the inclusion of this amendment would court disallowance at Ottawa, thus rendering the bill inoperative; that it would certainly not be wise to pass it in the shape proposed. I am, however, sir, quite willing to accept, on the part of the promoters of the bill, the fair-wage clause, which has been incorporated into other bills during the present session.

Could Strike Out Clause

Mr. Hawthornthwaite thought that disallowance, if ordered, need only affect this particular clause, and not the whole bill; and hoped that they would be enabled to get a decision of the privy council upon their constitutional right to impose such conditions.

Mr. Ross: But we want to build a railroad. (Hear, Hear.)

Stricken Out Before

Hon. Mr. McBride: In explanation, I may say that under the act of 1901, in the recital of the railway assessment act, the very clause which we have put in our railway assessment act of this session, was stricken from about 16 or 17 bills and since that time the parliament of British Columbia has passed an act with that self-same section as part and parcel of it, only to have it run the risk of disallowance. And we feel quite satisfied in these circumstances that in view of the policy which prevails at Ottawa with regard to the Japanese question, to place the word Oriental in this bill is at once to court disallowance (Hear-hear). There is no reason in the world to my mind at any rate, that can be advanced in support of this opposition.

Oriental European

Mr. Hawthornthwaite —"I would like to call attention to the statement of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, that the Japanese are not Orientals, but Europeans, (Laughter).

Hon. Mr. McBride—"This bill has been introduced by my hon. friend from Fernie, solely for the purpose of securing a charter, and then going right on with the work of construction, and nothing should be done to prevent this consummation (Hear-hear). Sir, we hear the same cry session after session—divide the house in order that the workingmen may see how the members vote on certain bills, and I have seen these hon. gentlemen on the hustings all over British Columbia going from town to town, and from village to village with the view of poisoning the minds of the public against members who have voted in a certain way; but when the circumstances are fully explained, what is the result? Why, sir, the electors are quite satisfied (Hear-hear), for the workingmen of British Columbia are thoroughly alive to the situation and know what is really going on, (Hear-hear), and I take it, sir, that a move of this kind will not nearly be so serious in its effects as my hon. friends opposite hope and believe (Hear-hear). For we are quite well aware that session after session, the house is divided on these questions, merely with the object of putting certain hon. members in a seemingly false position (Hear-hear). And, now sir, Mr Speaker, one word, if it be not infringement of the rules of the house, in regard to the object which is aimed at by my hon. friend from Fernie, by the substitution, later on, of the same clause, which we find in the Railway Assessment act; and in which it was placed, not, sir, with the view of discriminating against the white workingmen of this province, and not with the view of protecting the Orientals in British Columbia, but solely with the view of encouraging people to go on with these important undertakings, and at the same time subject this legislation to no risk of disallowance at the hands of the government at Ottawa. (Cheers).

I can well understand sir, that any person who held a charter which contained anything questionable from a constitutional standpoint would have a great deal of difficulty indeed in getting enough capital interested to proceed with the undertaking. (Hear, hear.) And, sir, I would in these circumstances appeal to the hon. gentleman opposite to withdraw from further interference with this bill along the lines proposed and accepting the offer which is held out by my hon. friend from [illegible] as a very fair solution of the [illegible] problem, insert in this bill the same clause which has been incorporated in the Railway Assessment act. (Cheers.)

Can One Clause Be Disallowed

In reply to Mr. Parker Williams, Hon. Mr. McBride: My hon. friend from Fernie informs me that he is quite prepared to accept the same clause which is now in the Railway Assessment act, and which has already been fully discussed in this legislature. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Hawthornthwaite: I would like to ask the attorney-general whether one section of a bill and no more can be disallowed?

Hon. Mr. Bowser: I have never heard of this being done.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite: But in your opinion as attorney-general is this possible?

Hon. Mr. Bowser: I do not think that it is.

Hon. Mr. McBride: In 1902 a very considerable correspondence on this subject took place with Ottawa, when it was pointed out that certain sections were unconstitutional, and this legislature was asked to reconsider the bill. And there is no question in

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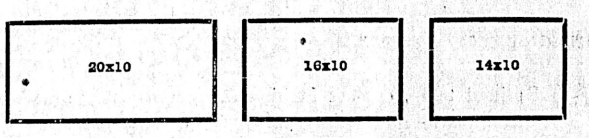

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Salvage Corps for Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Feb. 18.—As a result of a conference held this morning between Mayor Ashdown and W. H. Birch, secretary of the Manitoba and Northwest Fire Underwriters association, the establishment of a salvage corps for the city will likely be undertaken within the next few months. Regarding the salvage corps the mayor said two propositions would likely be submitted, namely that the city should establish and maintain the corps, obtaining therefor some reduction in the rates, or that the underwriters establish and maintain it without a reduction.

PARKS BOARD NEEDS MONEY FOR ITS WORK

Will Ask City for Twelve Thousand Dollars For This Year's Needs

The public parks board, at a special meeting held last evening in the committee room at the city hall, decided to ask the city for $12,000 with which to carry on the work of the present year. The meeting, at which Mayor Hall, Ald. Cameron and Messrs. Nelson and Wilkerson were present, did nothing more than consider the estimates of the amounts required for the board's work for this year, and while doubt was expressed that the above amount will be forthcoming, in view of the increased demands which will be made on this year's council, it was decided that to carry on the board's work in a proper manner not less than the above amount should be granted by the city.

The boulevard superintendent, D. D. England, submitted a report setting forth the amounts which, in his opinion, would be necessary, but these figures were considered too high inasmuch as it was felt that the city would not grant them, though the members of the board would like to have the money placed at their disposal. The amount as passed upon at last night's meeting will be submitted to the city council so that that body can consider them when taking up the estimates for the year.

Animals Are Expensive.

Mr. Wilkerson stated that in view of the expense necessary to put the bear pits at Beacon Hill park in good repair he very much doubted if the animals proved a sufficient attraction to warrant the expense. It took one man's time to look after all the animals at the park and he thought that with the possible exception of the deer and the moose the animals could be dispensed with. While not greatly in favor of keeping the animals, Mayor Hall believed that the children liked to see them there, but certainly something should be done to improve the present quarters and keep the animals in better condition.

Mr. Wilkerson considered that the greatest need at the park was the ploughing up and seeding of the outer sections, where every year grass fires rage and made the place look exceedingly unattractive. He was in favor of preserving the natural beauties of the park rather than spending large amounts on the up-keep of the animals.

After the superintendent's figures had been revised and considered, it was decided to ask for $8,970 to be expended on Beacon Hill park, $2,000 on the North Ward park and $1,030 for general salaries.

Superintendent's Report.

The report of the superintendent, D. D. England, was adopted as follows after his estimates had been revised:

I here submit estimates of cost of work to be done by the board this year, and in doing so I may say I have estimated only what is really necessary to make a satisfactory showing.

Beacon Hill Park.

In going over this park, I find that the plan is a good one and one that will, when completed, do honor to the man who drew it, but there is much to be done before it will be seen to advantage.

In the first place, the larger portions of the lawns are nearly worn out, the grass has been cut so often and the leaves raked up year after year, nature's food taken away and not replenished with any other till the soil is stagnant and full of weeds, and a great deal of it will have to be dug, manured and new soil added.

Many of the gravel walks are in just as bad a condition, and will require new gravelling, etc.

Considerable draining will have to be done before much improvement can take place; some of the drains are running over on the north slope, keeping the grass in a bad shape. Some attention should be given to the small lily pond. The water leaks out of it. I understand it has not been puddled like the larger pond. A great deal of pruning is necessary, as there is considerable dead wood in the trees. A good nursery should be started at once to supply not only this park but the other parks and the boulevards, as there is a great scarcity of young ornamental shrubs. This also applies to perennial flowers. I am very much surprised to find there are scarcely any, especially in a climate like this, where they are so easily and cheaply raised, and no time should be lost in this matter.

In Poor Condition.

The buildings are all in a dilapidated condition, but I would suggest that if any change is made, the location be changed to where it was first intended, where the bear pits are; the drainage and other conditions are much better for them.

I would suggest that a general purpose team be purchased. This will be one of the most essential and money-saving appliances and would form part of the general tools and plants of the board and will pay for itself in two years. If not wanted on the one park it could be used on the others or boulevards or can be used hauling the much-needed manure to the parks, and help the city by keeping the resepticals empty. They could be used in carts, scrapers, grades, mowers, rollers and in many ways.

A portion of the slope on Heywood avenue side should be drained and graded this year, and some of the walks laid out, but there is so much to do that all cannot be taken into consideration, but I am satisfied I could make a good showing with the following amounts:

North Ward Park.

To make anything like a showing here, an appropriation of at least $2500 should be granted, as the whole land must be drained and graded, and there are no sidewalks. The walks will have to be gravelled, water mains put in and much other work. This will only be part of the work, but the most essential, and should be done this year.

James Bay Slope

was cared for by the board the latter part of the year and I understand will have to be this year. I do not know if the board provides for same.

The shrubberies in Bastion Square will also have to be provided for. The iron fences around these are badly broken and need repairing.

The old cemetery will also come under the board, but I think the cemetery committee is providing for this season.

Estimates for 1907.

Beacon Hill Park—	
General maintenance including feed for animals, water, etc..	$4226.00
Park keeper's salary.....	900.00
Total	$5126.00
North Ward Park—	
Appropriated	$400.00
Expended	220.25
Beacon Hill Park, 1908—	
General maintenance	$4550.00
General salaries	1030.00
Improvements, draining, etc...	1500.00
Bear pits, building for animals	200.00
Nursery	500.00
Tools and plant	850.00
Up-keep of animals	420.00
	$8970.00
North Ward Park	2000.00

Letters Received.

J. A. Coburn wrote the board asking that steps be taken to boulevard Pandora street from Quadra street to Chambers street under the local improvement plan. He stated that he was concinced that the great majority of the property owners along that thoroughfare would be only too glad to have the work done. Mr Coburn's request will be considered when the first batch of street work comes before the board to be considered.

L. Goodacre wrote asking what the city proposed to do regarding the question of the driving of cattle along the streets in the James Bay section. He will be informed that a bylaw regulating this question is now before the city council.

The request from the park superintendent at Vancouver that this city give to Vancouver a number of swans and guinea pigs will be granted as far as the guinea pigs are concerned, but there are no swans for disposal.

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY HOLDS PLEASANT EVENT

Monthly Concert and Dance is Attended By Large Number of Members

The regular monthly concert and dance of St. Andrew's society held last evening in the A. O. U. W. hall was largely attended and proved a very great success. With each monthly event the attendance of members has steadily increased, until now the accommodation provided at the hall is all too limited. The membership of the society is rapidly growing, and these monthly events are greatly appreciated. P. J. Riddell president of the society, and of the Highland band, officiated as chairman, and in opening the programme, referred to the good work of the band, and expressed the hope that by spring that organization would be equipped with the full Highland costume, and he urged the members of the society to give assistance in attaining this hoped-for end. Mr. Riddell's remarks were received with applause.

The following programme was rendered and greatly appreciated: Bagpipe selection, Donald McIvor; songs by James Taylor, Mrs. Crawford, J. Adamson, Mrs. Ruther Wilson; piano selection, Miss Florence Angus; trio, Mrs. Butler, John Doble, Mrs. Reid; violin selection, Mr. Angus, Jesse Longfield; song, James Taylor; Highland fling, Edward Hill; sailor's hornpipe, James Smith; Highland reel, John McKenzie, W. Chisholm, Edward Hill and James Smith.

After the programme had been completed, dancing was indulged in, the following programme being rendered: Circassian circle; waltz; schottische, Highland; two-step; lancers; minuet; Scotch reel; waltz; two-step; lancers; schottische, Highland; waltz, ladies' choice; barn.; two-step; lancers; waltz. The Miss Thain orchestra supplied the music.

At the conclusion of the dancing, refreshments were served, and afterwards dancing was indulged in until the early hours of the morning. Much praise was given to the committee in charge, which consisted of A. Manson, J. Brayshaw, McQueen Todd and William Dean.

On March 29 the Highland pipe band will give a lantern concert in the Sir William Wallace hall, when views of Scottish scenery will be given, under the title of "A Trip to Scotland." The views will be shown by John Mackie, and the proceeds will go towards the band fund. Last night the pipe band, under the leadership of Pipe Major McDonald ,assembled at the Sir William hall and proceeded to the A. O. U. W. hall, playing stirring Scotch airs. The members of the band were: Pipe Sergeant McIvor, and Pipers Anderson, Chisholm, James Mackenzie, John MacKenzie, Norman McDonald and W. Munro.

MR. JUSTICE BURBIDGE

Death of Judge of Dominion Exchequer Court, After Long Suffering From Cancer

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—Justice Burbidge, of the exchequer court, who has been ill for some time, died this morning. The cause of death was cancer He had been hopelessly ill for a long time, and passed away at his residence at 6 o'clock.

Hon George Wheelock Burbidge was born at Cornwall, N. S., in 1847, the son of the late Arnold S. Burbidge. He was educated at Mount Allison university and was called to the New Brunswick bar in 1872, practising his profession at St. John. In 1882 he became deputy minister of justice for Canada, holding that office until 1887, when he was appointed judge of the newly constituted exchequer court of Canada. He took part in the revision of the Canadian statutes which commenced in 1883. Mr. Burbidge also served as a member of the civil service commission and as a member of the board of arbitration which dealt with matters in dispute between the Dominion and the provinces of Ontario and Quebec. He was chosen by the government of British Columbia as a commissioner to enquire into certain matter connected with the Nakusp and Slocan railway. As deputy minister of justice he had charge of the crown's case against Louis Riel and other prisoners after the rebellion of 1885. He also argued for the Dominion in the liquor license test case before the supreme court and the privy council. Mr Burbidge married in 1873 Alice E., daughter of Hy. Maxwell, of St. John, N.B., who survives him. Three daughters and four sons also survive him, one of the latter being H. A. Burbidge, of Winnipeg.

Turpentine Explosion.

Pittsburg, Pr., Feb. 18.—An explosion of turpentine on the fourth floor of the Capital Trunk and Bag factory, 1016-1020 Victoria street, today, started a fire which caused a loss of $60,000.

EMPRESS BALL IS A BRILLIANT AFFAIR

First Event of Kind in New Hotel in Every Way a Success

The Empress hotel presented a brilliant scene last night, when seven hundred and more dancers, the majority arrayed in charmingly picturesque costumes, attended the charity ball given under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus in aid of St. Joseph's hospital. The function was, par excellence, the society event of the season; it was a most splendid affair. The specious dining-room, with its much-admired decorations, the great carved ceiling of Australian redwood that receives its daily mead of praise from the admiring traveler, presented a greatly changed appearance from its usual wont.

In the alcove a carpet-covered dais had been placed, where Miss Thain's orchestra, which played a delightful programme in excellent time, was ensconsed, while the glow of the many clusters of mellow-globed electric lights shone down on a gay scene. Whirling with poetic motion, dreamily swinging over the smooth well-polished hardwood floor, a wondrously picturesque throng, crowding the floor almost to its capacity, danced past the onlookers whose never-tiring eyes gazed on costume after costume that suggested other lands and other climes. There were dainty musmes, such as the traveler might see on the matted floors of a Kyoto tea-house, richly-embroidered costumes that suggested yellow sun-scorched Pekin and the wives of a mandarin of Cathay, red-bloused, leather skirted maids of Arizona's pasture lands, quirt in hand and revolver dangling at belt, ladies of Egypt and Turkey, Gypsies, fortune-tellers, Tyrolese, Italians with such gowns as they of Naples might see on Gola days, Highland lassies weaving tartan and plaid, Indian maidens with feathered head-dress, beaded dress and fringed leggings. Marguerites with Fausts in numbers crowded about, vivandieres with the little kegs a la cigarette of the famed foreign legion, daughters of the regiment with glittering uniform, daughters of Spain, charming signorinas and senoritas, queens of night, fairies—these and many, many others, all of the most attractive nature. There was "The Merry Widow" of operatic fame, dancing with a wild and woolly westerner red-shirted, leather breeched and with sombrero set jauntily on his head. A doll-like Japanese or Chinese lady walked with a tall cavalier of the days of the first Charles, courtiers of a court such as the Fourteenth Louis in such garbs as the palace of Versailles might have seen danced with little fancy-like figures that wore daintly garbs queens of morning, of night, dawn, spring, and other characterizations. Mephisto with his long red feather and trailing cloak of scarlet danced with petite Marguerites, a swarthy Hindu his grey moustache in contrast to his darkened face with snow-white turban coiled about his head and a new-stanched suit of drill that made the looker-on think of the men of Kipling waltzed with a red-robed Hiawatha with feathered headgear. Queens of Isis two-stepped with eall Hussars, and the whole throng presented a radiant picture. Fully sixty per cent of the dancers were in fancy dress; many of the gentlemen in evening dress had faced their coats with pale blue or dazzling red, a few wore the scarlet coats that are familiar sights at the hunt dances of the old land. Withal, the picture was an exceedingly pleasing one, a kaleidoscope of color, dazzlingly brilliant.

The palmroom, with its soft-hued decorations, its towering palms and cosy retiring places, offered a convenient sitting-out room, the great glimmering corridor a ready sitting-out room, and below stairs in the spacious billiard room, where the walls had been hidden with vari-colored bunting and screens with many flags, where the pillars were entwined with ivy and evergreens, the supper tables were spread and laden with dainty service, while busy waiters attended to the wants of the resting dancers at the supper tables. So many were there that the tables were set three times betwen 11 p. m. and 1:30 a. m.

All told, with excellent music, a smooth floor and all arrangements tending to success, with such a picture as one who wrested Aladdin's lamp from him might see in some elysian fairy-place, the ball was indeed a successful one; it was the event of the season, if not of seasons.

The committee responsible for the successful function was as follows:

Ball Committee—Mrs. R. Dunsmuir, Mrs. R. H. Pooley, Mrs. Hermann Robertson, Miss Schl.

Knights of Columbus Committee—Frank J. Schl, John Hart, Arthur Stewart, William H. P. Sweeney, Frank C. Clarke.

Floor Committee—Col. F. B. Gregory, R. H. Pooley, F. J. Schl, J. H. Lawson, Jr., H. A. Bromley.

Hon. Secretary—Frank C. Clarke.

Music by Miss Thain.

The programme rendered was as appended:

	Extra Waltz	Langue des Fleurs
1	Waltz	Blue Danube
2	Two Step	Whistler and His Dog
3	Two Step	La Matchiche
4	Lancers	U. S. National
5	Waltz	Merry Widow
6	Two-Step	Honey Boy
7	Waltz	Gold and Silver
8	Two Step	Blossom
9	Waltz	Carresante
1	Extra	....
2	Extra	....
3	Extra	....
4	Extra	....
10	Two Step	Do Re Mi
11	Waltz	Eton Boat Song
12	Two Step	College Life
13	Waltz	Belle of New York
14	Two Step	Bowery Buck
15	Waltz	Impassioned Dream
16	Two Step	La Kraquette
17	Waltz	The Enchantress
18	Two Step	Old Faithful
19	Waltz	Jolly Fellows

MOTOR CAR RACE

American and French Cars Now Well Through Ohio—Others Fall Behind

Cleveland, O., Feb. 18.—The American car in the New York to Paris race, driven by Montague Roberts, practically passed through Ohio today. The car entered the state just east of Conneaut at 7:13 o'clock this morning, arrived at Cleveland at 11:40, left at 1:03 p. m., and arrived at Toledo at 9:35 this evening. The car will remain in Toledo over night and enter Indiana tomorrow afternoon.

The French car, driven by St. Chaffray, was but a few hours behind the American car all day. At Ripley, N. Y., the car had to stop for repairs, but proceeded shortly afterwards. At Ashtabula some time was lost in taking the wrong road. The road was retraced and the car arrived at Cleveland at 10:20, passing through without a stop. The French car stopped at Fremont for the night, and unless it meets with an accident will enter Indiana also tomorrow.

The Itallan car arrived here at 7 p. m., and will remain over night. The German car, driven by Maas, remained at Erie, Pa.

TO CUT DOWN WAGES

Shipping Companies Decide on Reduction at Montreal and Quebec Wharves

Montreal, Feb. 18.—An important conference of representatives of shipping companies was held here today, at which it was decided, in view of the depressed condition of business, to make an attempt to place the expense of conducting business on the wharves on a corresponding level.

The meeting was partly in response to a notification given by the longshoremen of Quebec that it was their intention to apply for an increase of five cents per hour in the rate of wages, already the highest paid at any port in Canada. The meeting decided on a cut of 2½ cents per hour in the rate of wages on the Montreal wharves, making the rate for day work 25 cents and for night work 30 cents per hour, with a bonus of 2½ cents per hour to men who work throughout the season of navigation, payable at the end of the season.

In regard to Quebec it was decided that the rate to be paid should be the same as that in Montreal, the cut hus representing ten cents per hour for day work.

Congregational Church Address.

Rev. E. P. Dunstan gave an address at the Congregational church last night on the "Two Roads." The reverend gentleman handles his theme in a most original manner and closed with a strong appeal to each of his hearers to lend themselves to the strenuous life. There were two roads to travel, the broad and the rough, but the uphill one was the hardest and the one that should be the choice of all. Messrs. Ferris and Lanceley rendered a duet very acceptably. There was a good attendance and those present showed a deep interest in the speaker's remarks. The next subject that will be listened to will be "The Chance of the Little Man."

ANOTHER BROKER IS UNDER ARREST

Charged With Forging Cheque on Bank at Philadelphia

Philadelphia, Feb. 18.—Lewis S. Cox, a broker of this city, was arrested here today on a warrant charging him with forging a check for $30,000 on the Quakertown National Bank, of Quakertown, Pa. Cox was taken after a struggle with officers in an office building in the centre of the city, during which he attempted to shoot himself.

Cox, according to the police authorities, admitted the forgery charged against him and declared his action was taken with the knowledge of Dr. Joseph Thomas, president of the Quakertown National Bank, who died suddenly about two weeks ago. Cox further made the declaration that Dr. Thomas cut his throat, but this statement is denied by members of the Thomas family and the family physician. The warrant for the arrest of Cox was issued at the intance of Byron Thomas, son of the bank president, who recently discovered the forgery.

The accused, who is about 66 years of age, has had a spectacular career as a financier in this city. He was a partner of the late Wm. M. Singerly in the financial undertakings which contributed to Singerly's failure and the closing of a national bank of which Singerly was president. Cox will be taken to Quakertown for a hearing, at which sensational developments are promised.

Dominion Supreme Court

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—The winter session of the supreme court of Canada opened this morning.

Trying to Float Mount Temple

Halifax, Feb. 18.—An attempt made this morning to float the C. P. R. liner Mount Temple, which went ashore at Ironbound island on December 1, failed. Seven tugs pulled on the steamer without success. Another effort will be made at midnight tonight.

Wright Out of Game.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 18.—Beals C. Wright, former national tennis champion, and a member of three American tennis teams which made unsuccessful attempts to recover the Davis international cup, announced today that he would be unable to join in another effort to win the cup. Mr. Wright believes that younger players should be selected to capture tht trophy from the Australians.

Decision Relating to Indians

Toronto, Feb. 18.—The divisional court has set aside an order made in August last by John Leitch and George Banachey, two justices of the peace, for the county of Brant, directing Amos Woodruff, a member of the Six Nations, to pay his wife $1 a week under the provisions of the Deserted Wife's Maintenance act. The court holds that this act is not applicable to Indians, as it is an Ontario act and the Indians are wards of the Dominion government.

Not for Reciprocity.

Washington, Feb. 18.—The French reciprocity treaty will be taken up tomorrow in the United States senate committee on foreign relations, but it is not expected there will be any action. Secretary Root, who is anxious that a general Canadian treaty be negotiated at this session, will be invited to appear before the members of the committee. However, there is no general sentiment in the country for the ratification at this time of any special reciprocity treaties with Canada.

MINERS RESCUED

All But Three Taken Out of Midvale Colliery Uninjured—One Killed in Accident

Pottsville, Pa., Feb. 18.—All but one of the 28 miners who were entombed yesterday in the Midvale colliery were rescued alive early this morning. One of the miners was killed following the accident which entombed the men, and two were injured. The others appeared none the worse for their experience.

FURNISHES COMFORT FOR PENNSYLVANIA

Plundering in Connection With Capitol Might Have Been Worse

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 18.—Former Governor Pennypacker was an important witness in the state capitol conspiracy trial today. Mr. Pennypacker, by virtue of his office as governor, was president of the board of grounds and buildings during the equipment of the capitol. His colleagues on the board were former Auditor-General Snyder and former State Treasurer Mathues. Its executing officer was former superintendent Shumaker. The former governor was called as a witness for these three former state officers

Mr. Pennypacker told of the selection of Joseph M. Huston by the board to provide the plans and specification of the capitol furnishings and of the award of the contract to Sanderson. He said extraordinary precautions had been taken to safeguard the commonwealth in the payment of bills by requiring the architect and the superintendent of grounds and buildings to certify to them and the contractor to take oath to their correctness.

The former governor admitted under cross-examination that he did not know that $1,069,000 had been paid by Snyder and Mathues to Sanderson without the approval of the board on Jan. 11, 1905, the date of the adoption of the resolution by the board requiring the architects to certify bills. $3,000,000 had been paid to Sanderson in excess of Huston's estimate of the cost of the furnishings.

Mr. Pennypacker said he had no reason for thinking that Huston did not do as carefully as he could the work he was called upon to do.

"If you are asking for a judgment," he said, "I think it was a great achievement."

Asked how long reliance upon the architect continued, the answer was: "It continues down to the present time, unless I am shown reason to the contrary."

The commonwealth showed in the cross-examination of James M. Stevenson, Sanderson's bookkeeper, that bills for furniture for the senate and house amounting to over $6,000 were made out as so many feet and in bulk, and paid in the course of Sanderson's business, and that several months afterward Stevenson, when ordered by Sanderson to make out detailed bills, simply took the lump sum of feet and apportioned it among the articles, gleaning some information from blue prints and receiving the remainder from Sanderson.

Stevenson had some "feet" left, and he added that to the rostrums for the house and senate caucus rooms. Evidence was introduced by the defense to show that in spite of the "approximation system of building the Sanderson furnishings, the state was gainer to the extent of $348,227.15 on Sanderson bills for furniture and that Sanderson could have collected $1,224,293.55 instead of $876,066 for the furniture.

Ontario's Railway

Toronto, Feb. 18.—The Temiskamingue and Northern Ontario railroad last year earned over $200,000, an increase of over $16,000.

Prince of Wales May Come.

London, Feb. 18.—It is declared here with some show of authority that the Prince of Wales will attend in August of this year the 300th anniversary of the founding of Quebec by the French.

Winnipeg's Finances.

Winnipeg, Feb. 18.—Last night's city council meeting, which lasted only a few minutes, would not have been a very important session but for the fact that Mayor Ashdown laid on the table a statement of the city's financial position drawn up by Marwick, Mitchell & Co., the auditors, who have been at work on the city books for the past year. The statement is an excellent one from every point of view, and shows that the city's current resources exceed its current liabilities by a good round sum.

SPANISH ANARCHISTS

Explosion of Bomb at Barcelona Taken to Mean Renewal of Activity

Madrid, Feb. 18.—There is no truth in the report that King Alfonso had been assassinated. The rumor probably was an outgrowth of the bomb explosion at Barcelona yesterday, which now appears to have been the work of anarchists. In addition to those killed, one woman and a child were wounded, and the explosion caused much damage to neighboring buildings.

The precise object of the outrages has not been made clear, but it is interesting to note that the factions of the parliamentary organization recently united in a request to the government to restore the constitutional guarantee in Barcelona declaring that normal conditions prevailed there.

King Alfonso is at present at Seville.

The conservative newspapers are of the opinion that the throwing of the bomb at Barcelona will force the government to adopt stricter measures for the maintenance of order.

On the other hand, the republican press points out that the suspension of the constitutional guarantees at Barcelona has failed to put an end to the terrorist agitation there.

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on the positive guarantee that if it does not give satisfaction we will return the entire amount of money paid us for it. We mean this—and ask all those who are sick and need strength to try it with this understanding.

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THE WATER BILL

Yesterday we published the petitions of the Esquimalt Water Works Company and the B. C. Electric Railway Company in reference to the proposed amendments of the Victoria Water Works Act. Without going into particulars, for all we propose to do in this article is to define what we think are sound, general principles, the substance of the petitions is that the city asks the legislature to confer upon it rights which the companies claim will be in derogation of powers that are legally theirs. This is a matter in regard to which great care must be exercised. At present we have no opinion to express, as to the validity of the claims put forward by the companies. This is a question to be determined by the legislature after inspection of all the legislative enactments bearing upon it, but whatever their rights are the legislature ought not to lend itself to anything that can properly be stigmatized as confiscation. It is somewhat noteworthy that the shares of the first named company are held almost exclusively in Victoria, and those of the latter almost exclusively in the United Kingdom. Therefore in dealing with the rights that have been conferred upon these companies, in addition to looking at the strictly legal aspect of the case, we ought to consider how the application of any principle will affect our neighbors, who embarked in an undertaking, which at its inception was not considered as likely to be a very remunerative one, and as it will affect British investors who put their money into a local enterprise on the faith of concessions granted by the provincial legislature. We do not think that the people of Victoria desire that either set of investors shall have their legal rights lessened by any action on the part of the House. In saying this we do not wish to be understood as admitting that the effect of the proposed legislation will be confiscatory. We are simply taking the position that, if it is, it ought not to be passed

The second principle to which we would like to see effect given is that a municipality shall have the right to acquire all franchises for public utilities upon terms that shall be fair and equitable to private owners. The Esquimalt Water Works Company has certain rights, held, we understand, in perpetuity, in a valuable property, which the Colonist believes ought to belong to the city of Victoria, because it will be of the very greatest use in the building up of what we have called Greater Victoria. The Electric Railway Company holds a certain franchise over the streets of the city and for lighting and other purposes, which is limited to a term of years. The municipality may at some time desire to take over the whole or part of this franchise. We take the position that the laws of the province ought to empower the municipality to acquire these properties, not by confiscating them, but by paying for them what they are worth, the value to be determined by some just and equitable method. We hold that such a principle ought to be applied to all similar franchises, that is, that the general law of the province ought to be such as to permit municipalities to apply the principle of public ownership to local public utilities.

Our position therefore may be thus stated: We favor the municipal acquisition of local public utilities on equitable terms, but are opposed to anything in the nature of confiscation. We hope that these principles will govern the legislature in dealing with the application of the City Council for amendments to the Water Act, but that the fullest measure of authority will be vested in the city that can be conferred without breaking faith with those who have invested their money in enterprises on the faith of enactments of the legislature.

The Colonist has had some things to say about the Electric Railway Company that have not been wholly complimentary, and it expects to say some more. It has recognized the skill and care with which the cars are operated, so that accidents are reduced to a minimum. It has acknowledged the almost unfailing courtesy of all the employees of the company. There are some things about which it has complained and others about which it proposes to complain, if the defects are not remedied. Among them are the double fare to Esquimalt, the condition of the roadbed, the crowding of the cars in the early part of the evening, the lack of power noticeable often on the Esquimalt line, the cost of light to the working classes and others and the quality of both the electric light and the gas All these are matters, which the Colonist proposes to investigate and discuss with the utmost freedom, and the same is true of needed extensions of the tram line. The possession of public franchises carries with it certain public obligations, and if these are not performed, it is a question whether or not the continued enjoyment of the franchise ought to be permitted, but, of course, nothing of this kind is involved in such investigations as we contemplate making. All we have in mind is to ascertain if the company ought not to do better by the public than it has been doing. So too in regard to the Esquimalt Water Works Company. We are opposed to the idea of confiscating its property in whole or in part; we desire to see the city acquire it, but we would oppose the payment of any exorbitant price for it.

We have stated the Colonist's position on these subjects with absolute frankness. We believe that this paper has a duty to perform to the community in which it is published, and in whose prosperity it hopes to share for very many years to come. We can afford to treat with indifference the criticisms of those persons, who fancy they see in every act of a newspaper the earmarks of self-interest, for we have faith in the efficacy of honest purpose. We hope that the legislature will find itself able to give effect to the principles above laid down, and yet meet the reasonable wishes of this municipality. The powers of the city of Victoria ought to be as large as is consistent with rights conferred by the legislature upon private corporations, but the latter should be held upon such a tenure as would permit of their acquisition by the former on equitable terms. Good faith ought to be kept with investors, so long as they keep good faith with the public.

THE JAPANESE TREATY

We do not mean the commercial treaty of which we have heard so much lately, but the treaty of alliance. The London correspondent of the New York Tribune has been sending his paper some facts regarding this international agreement, and he places it in a light somewhat different from that in which most of us have been accustomed to regard it. He says that it is an agreement primarily designed to preserve peace in Asia, and especially in Eastern Asia and India. The correspondent thinks that the world was never so profoundly at peace as now, neither was the prestige of Britain ever as great as it is under "Edward, the Pacificator." Nevertheless he notes with alarm the feverish activity everywhere to increase naval strength. Relating to the Japanese treaty itself, the following extract from the correspondent's despatch is of interest:

There is a preamble reciting the objects for which the coalition was formed, and that does not bear out the assumption that Vancouver will be converted into a naval base for operations against "a common enemy" if Japan be suddenly involved in war. The alliance has been formed for the maintenance of peace and territorial rights in India and Japan and for the protection of the common interests of all the powers in China through the preservation of its integrity and independence, and of the principle of equal opportunities for commerce and industries. It is when these rights or interests are in jeopardy that the two governments will take counsel for mutual defence. It is when one or the other of the contracting powers is compelled by unprovoked attack or aggressive action to go to war in defence of the territorial rights and special interests in Asia specifically mentioned in the convention that its ally is under obligations to join forces with it against the "common enemy."

When the agreement is closely scrutinized its real character as an instrument of rational peace is clearly and unmistakably disclosed. The optimists were wiser when the text was first given to the world as a guarantee against aggressive warfare in Eastern Asia and India than the pessimsts who now croak about entangling alliances and convert Vancouver into a naval rendezvous for a coalition armada against imaginary disturbers of the world's peace. The risks of war are diminished by the Anglo-Japanese coalition, even if the naval martinets do not appear to understand it, but are plumping for Dreadnoughts and conjuring with two-nation standards.

UNCLE SAM'S LAMENESS

Ex-Secretary of the Treasury, Leslie M. Shaw, has been making a speech and, as his habit is, has been saying things that his fellow-countrymen will not like to read. He told them that "over three hundred thousand freight cars are standing idle on the tracks, eight thousand locomotives are out of business, and ten per cent of the population of large cities is idle, and for the first time under a Republican administration free soup kitchens are open in every industrial centre." This is certainly not a very pretty picture, and there seems to be only too much truth in it. He blames it all on Roosevelt. On the other hand there are those who say that this depression was engineered and is maintained by interests which desire to make the country sick of the policy of Roosevelt towards accumulated wealth. Whatever the cause may be, it is certainly a very serious state of things.

Then Mr. Shaw had something to say about the preparedness of the country to go to war, and he told his hearers that they were paying at the rate of a million dollars every thirty days for the hire of foreign steamers to carry coal for the use of the fleet, which Admiral Evans is leading around the world. He added that, if the fleet was on a warlike mission, it would have to get along without coal, for foreign ships could not be employed to transport it and the United States could not furnish the vessels from its own mercantile marine.

Then he told that if all the powder factories in the United States should work twenty-four hours a day they could not produce in thirty days more than enough to last the fleet two hours in case of war, and that there is at least one European power that can produce as much powder in a day as the United States can produce in twelve months.

To lend further interest to his statements, he said that all the powers in the world know the lameness of the country in the above particulars better than it is known to the people of the United States. This is rather startling reading, but it is of the kind which is calculated to prevent any early breach of the peace on the part of Uncle Sam, and perhaps this is not a very bad thing. Possibly when our jingo neighbors realize the condition of things they may modulate their obstreperousness a little.

Manitoba is getting ready to restrict the drink traffic. "Westward the star of—— temperance reform kes its way."

According to Pekin despatches, the Japanese are beginning to occupy Manchuria in force, peacefully, of course, but none the less effectively.

Alderman Gleason told the city council that he visited ten saloons on Sunday. That's a good many, Alderman, rather too many in point of fact. Yet we would venture to bet that he came out of the last one quite sober.

Prince Edward Island is again lifting up its voice in favor of increased federal appropriations for railways. Prince Edward Island is lucky. Some islands are unable to lift up their voices at Ottawa for railways or anything else.

The Times speaks of "legislative disregard of popular rights." This is an expression which might sound right coming from the gentleman, whom our contemporary is so fond of calling "Comrade Hawthornthwaite." But just what does it mean?

The report that H. R. H. the Prince of Wales will visit Canada on the occasion of the celebration of the tercentenary of Quebec will add to the growing interest in that event. If the Prince should feel like making a transcontinental tour he would be sure of a very warm welcome.

The officers of the Lord's Day Alliance in Winnipeg have experienced great difficulty in getting the police commissioners to stop enforcing the Sabbath Observance act. It was a shame for the police to have turned the tables so completely upon a well-meaning portion of the community.

The Union Steamship company inaugurated a direct special steamship service to Prince Rupert last night. The Camosun will not go any further north than the G. T. P. terminus, but the company will maintain connection with more northern B. C. points by another steamer. This is the beginning of a new order of things.

The authorities in London are skeptical about the report that Robert Caldwell, who is wanted on a charge of perjury in connection with the Druce case, is insane in New York, and it is understood that a representative of the Home Office will make an independent investigation. They may save themselves the trouble. They won't get him.

The Victoria Chemical Works company have been given another chance to make good their profession of a determination to abate the noxious fumes nuisance. We sincerely trust that they will be able to meet public expectation in the matter. They will, we think, agree with us that they have been dealt with very considerately by the people of this city.

The Times had an extract yesterday from the New York Evening Post, from which we gather, although by the omission of a quotation mark it is not quite certain what part of the article is from the Post and what from the Times, that the New York paper is exceedingly impressed by the policy of the provincial government in putting a reserve upon our timber lands.

We hope that the boys of Victoria will pay due attention to the announcement we had from Ottawa yesterday to the effect that Lord Roberts will present a trophy for competition in rifle shooting between teams of eight school boys of sixteen years of age and of British parentage throughout the Empire. Why should not a Victoria team win that trophy?

An exceptionally important announcement—as far as Victoria is concerned—has just been made by Mr. C. E. E. Usher, assistant passenger traffic manager of the C. P. R., to the effect that he anticipates that the tourist travel will be unusually large this year. This is the very best kind of news for this city. We are now able to handle tourists of all classes in a manner we never were before—and in the Empress hotel we have a magnet, which, for drawing qualities, is unexcelled on the continent of America.

There never was a time when public sentiment in England was as much agitated as it now is over the matter of naval armament. All other subjects are relegated to a subordinate place. An impression is abroad that the supremacy of Britain upon the high seas is seriously menaced and no amount of argument can counteract it. Instead of any feeling of security being caused by the alliance with Japan, and the friendly understandings with other powers, there is a cry from all sides that Britain must be prepared to face any possible combination of naval strength.

It does not come exactly in the nature of a shock to be told that a French commission has reported that the precautions to prevent gas explosions in mines and otherwise to safeguard lives of miners are less effective in the United States than France. The recollection of a disclosure that certain steamship companies in the former country were given to the practice of stuffing their life preservers with sawdust instead of cork, prepared the mind for an announcement indicating that mine owners were not losing any sleep over the problem of how to safeguard the cheapest thing in the world—human life.

Speaking at a meeting in San Francisco, Rev. N. G. Poon Chew, editor of the Chinese World, said a great many things about his native land, among which was a statement to the effect that China was raising an army of 1,000,000 men "to drive the European nations from the Empire." In view of the fact that the 400,000,000 people in China have up to the present moment shown a complete ignorance of any definite national policy, it is to be presumed that the quarter where this gentleman's announcement will arouse the greatest interest is China itself. We wonder if the Rev. Poon Chew ever heard the story of the "Three Tailors of Tooley Street."

We do not quite understand the objection of Aldermen Cameron and Hall to trees in the streets. We can understand that there may be a difference in taste as to the beauty of shade trees in public thoroughfares. We once had a mayor in Victoria who told the Colonist that, if he had his way, every tree in the city would be cut down. Fortunately he did not have his way. The Aldermen mentioned are not to be taken as holding such an extreme view as this. They are doubtless only influenced by a desire to see necessary improvements made before much money is spent upon ornamentation. There is much sense in this, but is there any valid reason why we cannot have both, especially as the abutting property owners on the beautified streets will have to pay the bills?

Speaking before the Victoria Canadian Club on Tuesday, Sir Edgar Vincent, K. C., M. G., said, in the course of his address: "When one contemplates your agricultural resources, the resources of your mines, your forests and your fisheries, one cannot but come to the certain conviction that you are among the most fortunate and most favored of mankind. And you have another advantage, less generally accepted as an advantage, perhaps, but which yet constitutes an advantage of enormous value. I refer to your climate." When you read those words from the lips of one of the shrewdest observers who ever visited Victoria, can you doubt the future of Victoria and Vancouver Island? Can you question the wisdom of those who are investing largely in property here? Can you dispute the arguments of those who are urging a forward policy in connection with island development, so that we may reap in full measure the advantages attendant upon our unrivalled opportunities?

By the death of Mr. Justice Burbidge, who has been judge of the Exchequer Court for twenty years, Canada loses a capable and honored public servant. Judge Burbidge entered the public service as Deputy Minister of Justice. He owed his appointment to the late Judge King of the Supreme Court of Canada. At the election campaign in 1878, Mr. Burbidge, then a young practising barrister, was secretary of the Conservative campaign committee in St. John, and Judge King, as he was afterwards, was a candidate. He promised young Burbidge that in consideration of his services, he would see that he received some suitable recognition. Mr. King was defeated, and very shortly afterwards he was told that the position of Deputy Minister of Justice was at his disposal. He declined to take it and offered it to Mr. Burbidge, who with some difficulty was persuaded to assume its responsibilities. He proved an excellent officer and when the Exchequer Court was established every one agreed that he was the man for the position of judge. In his new sphere of action he exhibited exceptional fitness for the discharge of its very responsible duties.

Alcott Books in England.

A marked revival of interest in the stories of Louisa M. Alcott has been one of the most conspicuous features of the book season in England, due to the publication there of the eight volumes of the new illustrated edition of that writer's famous "Little Women" series. The edition has been received with hearty praise by the literary journals, and G. K. Chesterton, in an appreciation of Miss Alcott's work, does not hesitate to place her by the side of Jane Austen, "because her talent, though doubtless inferior, was of exactly the same kind." He points out that the two writers are alike inasmuch as there is the same silent and unexplained assumption of the feminine point of view. He adds "One thing is very certain, that the books are good, very good, from both a masculine and feminine stnadpoint."

A statue of the late Queen Victoria, erected by Irish public subscription in Leinster Lawn, Dublin, at a cost of £7,300 will be unveiled by the Lord Lieutenant on February 15th.

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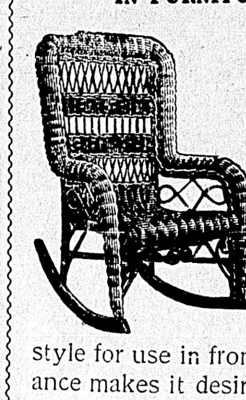

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Your initial selection can be quite small—enough for two people, if you like. You can add to it any old time and if you break a piece "hubby" can drop in and get another to replace it on his way home the same day.

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CHINA DINNER SERVICE—Still another set in "Carlsbad" china. This style has an exceptionally heavy gold border and a pretty and novel combination of roses, green leaves and gold. 119 pieces, at, per set **$65.00**

CHINA DINNER SERVICE—This is a very rich and handsome set and has been a favorite set with many. A heavy blue and gold band on an excellent china is the secret of its popularity. 139 pieces for **$90.00**

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NOTE AND COMMENT

The Military Department at Ottawa has called attention to the fact that the Daily Mail of London, England has instituted a competition for rifle clubs and associations throughout the empire, and has offered a 50 guinea challenge cup for the highest score, and silver medals for the winning team. The terms of the competition are thus stated:

No entrance fee will be charged. The competition is to be known as "The Inter-Colonial Empire Day Rifle Competition," and the first contest is to take place on Empire Day, 1908 The 24th of May this year falling on Sunday, the match will be shot on either Saturday or Monday, whichever may be prescribed for keeping Empire Day. Military and Civilian rifle associations desiring to participate in this are advised to communicate by letter to the "Over Seas Daily Mail, 3 Carmelite House, Tallis street, London, E. C., England," prior to the 1st of May, 1908 in case any special arrangements as to the score shall be necessary. The competition will be conducted under the following conditions—Ranges, 200, 500, and 600 yards. Rounds, sighting shot at each range, seven scoring shots Position any with head to target Team ,eight highest scores on day of match to count as team. All competitors to be bonafide members of the association under which they shoot, and Bisley rules for current year governing the conditions of the match. The match to be shot under the direction of an independent range officer, who will sign the score sheets, which must record the conditions of the weather. Each association to forward certified score sheets by mail to the "Over Seas Daily Mail."

In the West the phrase "put the lid on" is usually applied to describe a condition resulting from a wave of moral reform. The Montreal Gazette, however, is able to apply it with marked effectiveness to explain an incident in the House of Commons at Ottawa which has attracted general attention throughout the country. The Gazette says:

Sir Wilfrid Laurier and most of his ministerial colleagues sat up till after 3 o'clock on Friday morning to encourage their followers in voting down Mr. Lake's demand for an enquiry into the manner in which western timber lands have been dealt with. The result was that the Government's majority was 55, the largest recorded during the session of parliament. The idea seems to have been to get on the lid all the weight possible, lest its being lifted should let out a stench too strong even for the Canadian partizan stomach.

"Stands Scotland where it did?" We trow not, but rather think it is moving Canadawards at a rapid pace, judging from the following paragraph in the Ottawa Citizen:

A Canadian Associated Press despatch informs us that, according to a statement made in the British House of Commons, 26,366 Scotsmen went to Canada in 1907, and only 11 to the other colonies. At first blush this looks good for Canada. But some Canadians will have to work a bit harder than they have been working.

The Canadian Club idea appears to have "caught on" splendidly throughout the entire Dominion. The Club at St. John, N. B., has just celebrated its first anniversary, and the Times of that city congratulates all concerned on the splendid work accomplished during the year. It says:

The first year of the existence of the Canadian Club of St. John closed as it began with a consideration of matters of Imperial concern. There is a wide divergence between the views of Dr. Parkin, who opened the series of addresses for the year, and those of Mr. Ewart, who closed it; but it is quite in keeping with the spirit of Canadian Clubs that all phases of the subject should be fairly presented. The club has heard a group of very eminent public men during the past year, and has more than justified the hope of those who met at the call of Mr. W. E. Earle to consider the question of its organization. With more than five hundred members the club begins its second year under very favorable conditions. Mr. Ewart suggested last evening that the Canadian clubs of the lower provinces endeavor to promote maritime union, and his audinece evidently agreed with him that such a union would prove a benefit. But even if the club does no more than promote a friendly feeling among citizens of all classes, and give them an opportunity to hear such addresses as those at club luncheons last year, it is doing a splendid work, of great value to the higher interests of national life.

The Toronto Daily Star refuses to take seriously the Ottawa government's immigration policy. In a spirit of levity which is very much out of place in the discussion of such a grave problem, it says:

Ottawa will do nothing to prevent British Columbia keeping the Hindus out. As the Hindus can't live in Canada on account of chilblains, Ottawa's forbearance should make a great hit on the Pacific coast.

In view of a recent experience of the Lord's Day Alliance in Winnipeg, there will be general agreement, we fancy, that the following from the Ottawa Citizen, is altogether a sensible view to take of the general question of Sabbath observance:

When the Lord's Day act was passed the Citizen expressed the opinion that the Lord's Day alliance had not used good judgment in pressing for such a drastic measure, just because its members found that they could get it. Sir Wilfrid Laorier was particularly obliging, and practically gave the alliance full swing. So far as the province of Quebec was concerned, a small clause in the bill rendered it non-effective. Now some over-zealous people in Winnipeg are proceeding to make the new act ridiculous. Whether the enforcement is inspired by zeal for righteousness, or by those who would like to see the measure repealed, the result is likely to be the same. The Lord's Day alliance should remember in matters of legislation it is not always well to take all you can get simply because you can get it.

Three women members of a Baptist church in Indiana have been arrested for "disturbing religious services" by chewing gum.

FORTY YEARS AGO

The British Colonist, Wednesday, February 19, 1868.

The steam yacht Zealous, Jr., carried the neval mail to Esquimalt yesterday.

"Fe, fi, fo, fum."—It is rumored that a Fenian Head Centre arrived in the city yesterday on the Del Norte, and that the government authorities, having had early intimation of his expected arrival, are now on his track.

Mr. J. C. W. Rhind, formerly organist of the St. John's Church in this city, has been appointed organist of the Howard Street M.E. Church, in place of Prof. Lewis Schmidt, resigned.

A chime of bells and several brass cannon have been brought from Sitka to Port Townsend. The message is informed that one of the guns (a 9-pounder) was abandoned by Napoleon during his retreat from Moscow.

Editor Colonist—In reference to your interesting inquiry of yesterday's date as to "Where's Josephs?" I beg most respectfully to reply "attending to his duties within the city limits."

Without any cold in his head.

Your very obedient servant,
JOSEPH JOSEPH.

A rumor prevails that the Del Norte will be withdrawn from this route and the old Pacific substituted. It is added that the Pacific will make monthly trips to Sitka, and that he only visits to Victoria will be on going to or returning from that hyperborean. We hope that this rumor may prove unfounded. Should it be true, we do not think the government would be justified in continuing the subsidy now paid for the mail to this port.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Sir Robert E. Bredon, who, according to a message from Peking, is to act as Inspector General of Customs in China during Sir Robert Hart's two years' absence on holiday, has, says the Westminster Gazette, held the post of Deputy Inspector General for more than ten years. Like Sir Robert Hart—who, by the way, is his brother-in-law—he comes from Ulster. Before joining the Chinese customs service he had qualified as a medical doctor, and was attached to the 97th regiment on entering the army in 1867 from which he retired six years later. During the Boxer rising he took part in the defence of the legations, for which he holds a bronze medal and clasps. Sir Robert Bredon retired eleven years ago from the Chinese customs on completing twenty-four years' service, but rejoined the same year, and since then he has acted as deputy inspector general.

The Crown jewels inquiry in Ireland has brought up references to the official curiously styled Clerk of the Hanaper. The hanaper, says the Westminster Gazette, was a kind of basket used in early days by the kings of England for holding and carrying with them their money as they journeyed from place to place. The clerk or warden of the hanaper was an officer who received the fees due to the king for seals of charters, patents, commissions and writs. Consequently the word answered to the modern Exchequer. There used to be a Hanaper Office of the Court of Chancery, so called because all writs regarding the public were kept in a hanaper, or hamper (in hanaperio), while those concerning the Crown were in a little sack or bag. Early in the reign of Queen Victoria, however, the duties of the office were transferred to other functionaries.

One needs to go to Holland to find the mid-European time comedy at its best. If you want, says the Daily Chronicle, to travel by, say, the 9:15 train to a town five miles away you start out by Greenwich time, but, should you arrive at the station to see the train steaming out, you walk leisurely to the canal pier and catch the 9:15 boat. The boat people pin their faith on "Amsterdam" time, which is fifteen minutes later. The tourist finds himself constantly losing and finding stray quarter hours. This writer got over the difficulty by carrying two watches—one screwed up to Greenwich and the other relaxed to Amsterdam. The chief Post Office officials compromise matters by adding an extra pair of red-colored hands to their clock, and thus make the best of both worlds. But if you go to that old-world Dutch town Dordrecht, where artists linger at every street corner, or balance their easels over ill-smelling canals, you get another shock from the times. The public clock takes you unawares by telling you that it is ten minutes to four—which doesn't square up with either your Amsterdam or your Greenwich watch. The Dordrecht clock performs other vagaries, and you settle down to keep observations—and discover that they are all old-fashioned one-long-handled clocks. When Dordrecht tells you it is 12:35 you know it is 1 p.m.

The appearance of the Duke of Abercorn in the chair at the great meeting of the Chartered Company shareholders at the Cannon Stret Hotel was, says the Evening Standard, a welcome assurance to his many friends of his recovery from a long and painful illness, which for some time past has restricted his usual activity. His brief presidential speech of introduction served to remind many of his hearers that his interest in things South African is a matter of no recent date, but goes back for a score of years or more. In Paul Kruger's time he made a pilgrimage through the Transvaal to Rhodesia, and created something more than a favorable impression on those, gentle and simple, with whom he was brought into contact by his businesslike acumen and ready aptitude for the assimilation of facts. A mine manager's opinion of him is worth quoting—"He may be a duke when he's at home; here he seems a practical man of business."

Gold.

Gold! gold! gold! gold!
Bright and yellow, hard and cold,
Molten, graven, hammered and rolled;
Heavy to get, and light to hold;
Hoarded, bartered, bought and sold,
Stolen, borrowed, squandered, doled;
Spurned by the young, but hugged by the old
To the very verge of the churchyard mould;
Price of many a crime untold;
Gold! gold! gold! gold!
Good or bad a thousand-fold!
How widely its agencies vary—
To save—to ruin—to curse—to bless—
As even its minted coins express,
Now stamped with the image of good Queen Bess,
And now of a Bloody Mary.

—Thomas Hood.

BRITISH OPINION

Belfast Whig.—The death of "Ouida" directs attention to a remarkable woman, possessed undoubtedly of literary gifts, which she would have used to far better purpose had it not been for the vein of eccentricity and egotism in her genius. Her style was prone to be rhetorical and extravagant. "Ouida's" guardsmen were marvels of physique and aristocratic deportment. Nevertheless, on occasion she could write excellently, for she had the rare quality in these days of a sincerity which made her ready to make sacrifices for her convictions. "Moths," although it was not without its defects, was her best book. But "Ouida" deserves reverent mention for her alacrity in coming to the help of unpopular causes. Her last days were clouded by illness and poverty, which the pension granted to her only a few months ago came too late to alleviate. She has been a good deal forgotten of late years, but she has always had her admirers, who ought to see to it that her real worth is adequately recognised.

The Daily Telegraph's special correspondent in Ireland says:—Everyone in Ireland is looking eagerly forward to the meeting of Parliament. An Irish Session is confidently expected. Ministers may talk as they like about licensing, education, old-age pensions, or whatever subjects are nearest to the heart of the English, Scotch or Welsh electors, but Irishmen know that, no matter what Bill receives the coveted precedence, the session will be Irish in its beginning, middle and end. People on your side of the Channel may be weary of Irish politics and Irish disorders. All the same, they will have to listen and will be compelled to attend. The state of Ireland, to put it in a single word, is atrocious. It is as bad as it can be short of the absolute worst.

The ruffians of Nationalism are being held back from attempted murder for the time being by order of the officials of the League. They are forbidden to pull the trigger. But they possess the gun—thanks to the abrogation of the Arms Act by the present government—and it is loaded. The law is everywhere set at defiance. The judges complain that their courts are an idle mockery. The financial position with respect to the Land Act will become increasingly serious unless a fresh supply of money is found by the British government to renew the depleted reserve under which sales have been carried out. Worse still, it is known that the police are growing restive under the imposible task to which they are set, and are bitterly complaining of the moral cowardice of the disastrous "do-nothing" policy of the Chief Secretary.

Many people therefore are asking what the Under Secretary thinks of his titular chief, and how long Sir Antony MacDonnell will allow himself to be associated with a regime of sheer anarchy, under which the law is paralysed and the police are openly discouraged. Sir Antony enjoyed in India the well-deserved reputation of being a strong man who in Burmah, Bengal and the North-West Provinces always put down disorder with an iron hand before he began to remedy grievances. What, then, can be his real opinion of the welter in which Ireland, through no fault of his, one may be sure, now finds himself after a year of the Birrell administration? It seems impossible that Sir Antony can continue to be jointly responsible with the Chief Secretary for what must be to him an intolerable condition of affairs.

After dealing with various items of the government programme for the coming session, the Daily News says: Beyond these arise the questions of Scotland and Ireland. Scotland solid, outside a narrow class, for its rejected measures of last year—the Small Landholders Bill and the Land Valuation Bill—will see these returned as speedily as is convenient for less terse and contemptuous treatment by the other House. Ireland has been guaranteed two measures. The one will attempt the solution of that complicated university problem so essential and vital to Ireland's Industrial and intellectual prosperity by the establishment of two non-sectarian universities, free from all religious tests one at Belfast for the Ulster Presbyterians, one federating Cork and Galway—and a new college at Dublin for the Catholic population. The second will seek to provide the peaceful and law-abiding alternative to cattle-driving in the compulsory acquisition of the grazing lands of the congested counties at fair prices and their division amongst the owners of uneconomic holdings.

LONDON SWEATSHOPS

Father Bernard Vaughan's Distressing Picture of Life Among Poor Workpeople

London, Feb. 17.—Father Bernard Vaughan, brother of the late Cardinal Vaughan, preaching in the Jesuit church here yesterday, during the course of a powerful plea in behalf of the bill which will come before the House of Commons this week against "sweatshops," gave a graphic illustration of the manner in which the poor workers of the East End of London are compelled to live.

"In a small room," he said, "that ought to be occupied by no more than two persons, there were 12 machines working all day, and late in the evening. Then the machines were removed and straw mattresses laid on the floor, men being admitted to sleep. At 2:30 in the morning these men were turned into the street and the room re-let to another set of sleepers who were also driven out at 6:30 a. m. on the return of the machine workers."

Run Down By Train.

Toronto, Feb. 17.—A 14-year-old boy named Percy Hansford, was killed by the eastbound C. P. R. express. The accident occurred on the railway crossing at Windermere avenue, Swansea, where the view of the track is obscured by the buildings on either side. Hansford, who was driving his father's vegetable wagon, tried to get his horse over the track. A companion sitting in the same seat jumped and saved his life.

Broker Charged With Fraud.

Toronto, Feb. 17.—On a charge of conspiracy to defraud, a warrant has been issued for the arrest of Lither Spear, broker. The complainant is Mr. Warner, of the firm of Warner Bros. Spear is said to have originated the Bonanza Company and the Bonanza Consolidated Mines of Canada, Ltd., which operated claims in the Larder Lake country. Spear is said to be in Lawrence, Mass., and not to have been in his office for a month.

Paint Works Destroyed.

Cambden, N.J., Feb. 17.—Following a series of explosions, in which several workmen were injured, fire today badly damaged the varnish and paint plant of the N. Z. Graves company. Eight dwellings adjoining the plant were almost entirely destroyed. Several firemen were slightly injured by exploding benzine. The loss is $600,000.

DESTRUCTION OF MAINE

Spanish Paper at Havana Stirs Up Old Trouble—Accuses U. S. War Department

Havana, Feb. 17.—The Diario Espanol, the organ of the ultra-Spanish element, in a leading editorial today, referring to the special celebration by Americans of the tenth anniversary of the blowing up of the battleship Maine, says: "They commemorate the blackest blot on American history of the world, including honest Americans, believing that the ship was blown up by direct order from the war department for the purpose of justifying the plan to despoil Spain of Cuba."

The paper adduces: "As convincing proof," the officers of the Maine attended the funeral of the victims in full dress uniform, which showed that they must have sent their uniforms shore, in anticipation of an explosion, and alleges that the reason the wreck has not been raised is that it would conclusively demonstrate that the explosion was in the magazine.

Woman Killed by Bomb.

Barcelonia, Feb. 17.—Two bombs exploded here today, killing a woman and wounding a woman and a child.

More Assassination Rumors.

Paris, Feb. 17.—Rumors were current here late tonight that the King of Spain has been assassinated but no confirmation of the rumor could be obtained at the foreign office or Spanish Embassy. No details accompany the report.

French Cruiser Fatality.

Paris, Feb. 18.—Advices have been received here from Rear-Admiral Philbert that the bursting of a steampipe on board the French cruiser Descartes, off Casa Blanca, resulted in the death of three men and injuring three.

Fatal Riot in Coke Region.

Connellsville, Pa., Feb. 17.—Two men were killed and six others seriously injured in a riot at Dunbar, a mining town near here tonight. Two of the wounded are Americans. The dead and other injured were foreigners. Forty-five persons were arrested. The trouble is said to have been the outcome to rivalry between two boarding houses conducted by foreigners.

Cars Break Down.

Buffalo, Feb. 17.—The New York to Paris auto endurance test developed into a race today, when Sitoria, in charge of the Italian car, stole a march on the American and French cars by slipping through Buffalo before daylight. Then the Frenchman left for the west in pursuit shortly before noon and Montague Roberts' American car started at 3 o'clock. Tonight both the Italian and French cars are reported broken down near Ripley, four miles west of Fredonia, and the American car is again in the lead. The German car arrived here tonight.

New York's Bonds.

New York, Feb. 17.—Tabulations of the bids for the $50,000,000 of bonds offered for sale by the city of New York were completed tonight, and show that there were 4,704 offers for the issue, at prices ranging from 104 to 106. The aggregate amount of the bids was $271,242,650. The largest allotment to any single bidder or company of bidders was to A. E. Reid and Stephen L. Tingley, of Boston, who received $3,000,000. The syndicate formed here by J. P. Morgan & Co., Harvey Fisk & Sons, the First National Bank and the National City Bank, which bid for the entire issue of the fifty-year bonds, did not receive an allotment, their bid being under that of the successful bidders. The syndicate, however, was allotted $1,101,000 of the 1907 bonds. Various amounts of the bonds have been awarded to banks, trust companies and individual investors all over the United States.

Kingston Alderman

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 17.—F. J. Hoag was today elected alderman for Frontenac ward by 135 majority.

Winnipeg's Finances

Winnipeg, Feb. 17.—Sanford Evans, controller, and Alderman Riley have gone east in connection with Winnipeg's finances.

Brakeman Killed

Saskatoon, Sask., Feb. 17.—W. R. Adams, aged 29, Canadian Northern brakeman, was killed here at 2 o'clock this morning by slipping under the engine. His wife and three children reside in Winnipeg.

Hotel Damaged.

Dresden, Ont., Feb. 17.—The Clifford hotel was gutted by fire this morning. The occupants had hardly time to escape. The loss is not known, but the insurance on the building is said to be $5,000, and $2,700 on the contents.

Alberta Railway Projects.

Calgary, Alb., Feb. 18.—An important meeting of the board of trade was held today, when the question of indorsing two applications for new roads was brought up. One was from Ottawa in connection with the extension of the C. & E. from Macleod to the boundary, and the other a road from Cowley, on the Crow's Nest, to Calgary, the latter being built with the object of opening the large coal fields at Livingston. Both were indorsed, the latter on the understanding that work should be commenced at Calgary and Cowley at the same time, within two years, and that the road shall be completed in five years. The promoters are Eastern men, principally from Port Arthur.

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A. E. Thorne, Toronto.
H. C. Martin, Vancouver.
F. W. Westun, Toronto.
G. A. Murray, Winnipeg.
L. H. Brown, Seattle.
F. R Phillips, Toronto.
Jack Moffatt, City.
Thos. H. Barber, Vancouver.
G. D. Beattie, Cranbrook.
E. Greenwood, Vancouver.
B. Hills, Toronto.
L. Runler, Seattle.
J. G. Billings, Sidney.
W. M. Carter, Cranbrook.
A. E. Schultz, Calgary.
John Cochrane, Grand Forks.
Wm. Bank, Grand Forks.
Chas. G. Reeder, Spokane.
Chas. Ralston, Vancouver.
F. S. Burgiss, New Westminster.
P. W. Han Va, Wellington, N. Z.
A. Muir, Vancouver.
Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Taylor, Toronto.
D. C. Nicoli, Cordova Bay.
Mrs. L. D. Dods, Chemainus.
Mr. Baird, Chemainus.
A. Lloyd, Westholme.
C. McDougall, Westholme.
J. J. Hanley, Vancouver.
R. F. Fitzpatrick, Vancouver.
C. F. Nelson, Montreal.
M. M. Corning, Vancouver.
Geo. E. Wells, St. Louis.
C. J. Livingston, Dawson.
A. B. Cameron, Vancouver.
M. McDougall, Seattle.
H. P. Williams, Seattle.
F. A. Hall, Vancouver.

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Dr. G. B. Brown, Nanaimo.
Mrs. Brown, Nanaimo.
R. Ventress, Duncan.
S. W. Gidley, Duncan.
Mrs. W. S. Lawson, White Horse.
Mrs. Fred Fickard, Caribou.
Moses B. Cotsworth, York, Eng.
Mrs. H. Harris, Vancouver.
Mrs. Helen Althouse, Alaska.
Walter Gould, Ketchikan.
Rasmus Munsen, Alaska.
Henry Johnson, Alaska.
Sam England, Alaska.
B. J. McGee, Seattle.
H. B. Malcolm, Seattle.
H. R. Spears, Seattle.
F. P. Bowton, Seattle.
T. D. Pickard, Seattle.
M. A. Thomas, Sidney.
H. E. Dixon, Vancouver.
C. E. Jarvis, Vancouver.
C. R. Brown, Toronto
Ambrose Adams, Vancouver.
J. J. Heaslip, Vancouver.
Mrs. Heaslip, Vancouver.
Eugent Cleveland, Vancouver.
R. C. Hodgson, Vancouver.
C. A. Calkins, Calgary.
Thos. H. Houpt, Calgary.

At the Balmoral—

W. A. Kingscote, Saanich.
W. Anthony Williams, Saanich.
F. A. Brettingham, Chemainus.
G. King Newton, Saanich.
E. J. Swainn, Cowichan.
I. M. Little, Scotland.
T. C. Rae, South Galiano.

At the Victoria—

S. J. Wescott, Chilliwack.
E. Stackhouse, Fulford Harbor.
Walter Keeling, Vancouver.
A. Leakey, Somenos.
W. D. Kanty, Los Angeles.
J. Anderson, Seattle.
Leslie Carter, Spokane.
W. B. Evans, Hullcan.
T. N. Aird, Moose Jaw.
T. W. Hill, Vancouver.
V. Edwards, Vancouver.
F. J. Baglow, Kobe, Japan.
Frank Burns, Vancouver.
L. L. Butterworth, Seattle.
B. McGiffin, Tacoma.
C. Hollran, Tacoma.
Albert Hollenbeck, San Francisco.
J. H. O'Brien, San Francisco.
C. Paterson, San Francisco.
L. Fisher, Los Angeles.
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Henry Holbrook, Winnipeg.
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J. Moran, Calgary.
H. Rudell, Moose Jaw.
C. P. Parsons, Detroit, Mich.
Chas. Evans, Toronto.
Claude Andrews, Vancouver.
Percy Davis, Vancouver.
W. E. Marriott, Winnipeg.
P. Dunn, Winnipeg.
John Slattery, Ottawa.
P. McGuire, Hamilton.
T. D. Mills, Cincinnati.
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Mrs. Taylor, Hill Island, Sidney.
T. Baker, Vancouver.
George Williams, Sidney.
Wm Daly, Seattle.
Joseph Fest, Ladner.
James Pearson, Ladner.
Albert Badum, Vancouver.
F. C. Tolley, Vancouver.
John Erickson, San Francisco.
F. N. Hall, Vancouver.
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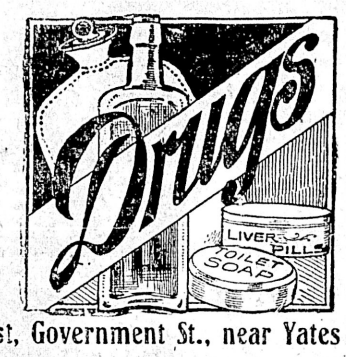

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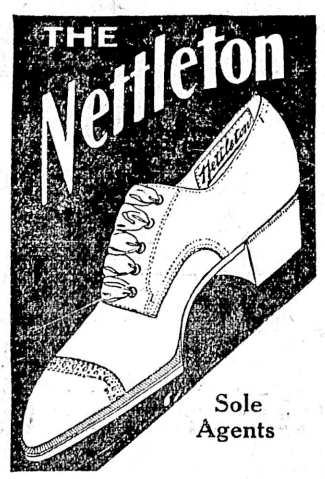

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MORE PAVING WORK TO BE COMMENCED SOON

Now That Creosote Plant is Working Additional Pavements Will be Laid

Now that the city creosoting plant is in full working order and in a position to deliver all the blocks required for paving purposes, the work on the pavements authorized last year, but held up until the creosoting plant was finished, will be gone on with. The pavements which were passed last July with the estimated cost of construction, including the laying of the concrete foundation and the laying of the blocks, are as follows:

Langley street, from Bastion street to Courtenay street, to cost $5,934, of which the city's share will be $2191.05.

Broad street, from Broughton street to Fort street, to cost $2,368.40, of which the city will contribute $863.70.

Fort street, from Government street to Wharf street, to cost $5,700, of which the city's share will be $2,057.50.

Broughton street, from Wharf street to Douglas street, to cost $11,766, of which the city will contribute $4,253.25.

Courtenay street, from Wharf street to Douglas street, to cost $10,419.20, of which the city's share will be $3,772.75.

It is expected that just as soon as the work of repaving Government street is completed, the necessary steps will be taken to proceed with the above pavements. Other streets will also probably be undertaken this year, as the city is now in a position to rush work of this nature.

BUILDING FIGURES GROW

So Far This Month Value of Proposed Structures Exceed Forty Thousand Dollars

The value of the buildings for which building permits have been so far issued this month aggregate over the $40,000 mark and during the balance of the month it is estimated that this amount will be materially increased. Yesterday permits for buildings of over $10,000 value were issued by the building inspector. The Hong Yick company took out a permit for a double brick apartment building to be erected on the south side of Chatham street, between Government street and the terrace recently erected, to cost $8,500. Parfitt Bros. are the contractors. Charles F. Russell will also erect a dwelling on San Juan avenue to cost $1,900. Moore & Whittington are the architects and builders.

LATE A. W. MORE.
Real Estate Man Who Died Monday.

FACE ANOTHER CHARGE

Beer Thieves Believed to Have Also Stolen Quantity of Brandy

Already charged, along with four others, with the theft from the Victoria Phoenix brewery, of a quantity of beer, Barney Martin and John Everett will this morning face the additional charge of having recently stolen from a bonded warehouse at the E. & N. depot ten cases of brandy, 120 bottles, valued at about $80. A search of the cabins where the yair have of late been living resulted in the discovery of a few of the bottles of brandy yet full while a large collection of empty bottles were also recovered, by far the greater part of the brandy having already been consumed by the two prisoners and their friends. They will come up for hearing before Magistrate Jay at the police court this morning.

CYCLISTS ARE FINED

Wheelmen Must Keep Off Sidewalks—Police Court Cases Today

The police are taking active steps to abate the nuisance created by the habit indulged in by a good many cyclists of riding on the sidewalks. Five offenders were fined $3 apiece yesterday, and all those caught by the police breaking the by-law will be treated in the same way. The practice is one which causes great inconvenience to pedestrians as well as being against the law.

Besides the bicycle riders there were only a couple of drunks before Magistrate Jay yesterday, but this morning there are a couple of adjourned cases coming up in addition to routine work. Loschiavo, the Italian accused of having deserted his wife in New South Wales, will have his long deferred trial, while Barney Martin and his four friends are also down for a hearing. They are charged with having a large quantity of beer in their possession, knowing it to be stolen.

Special Prices for Children's Dresses—Children's Galatea, Gingham and Holland Dresses and Overalls, 45c, 50c and 75c. Robinson's Cash Store, 86 Yates street.

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NEWS OF THE CITY

Canadian Club Annual

Tonight at 9 o'clock in the council chamber at the city hall the annual meeting of the Canadian club will be held when reports will be presented, officers elected and other business transacted. All members are reminded that the annual fees are due and should be paid to Mr. Gibbs, at the Imperial bank, before tonight's meeting.

Metropolitan League

The Metropolitan Epworth league was entertained by the social department on Monday evening. A very pleasant time was enjoyed by all present. Next Monday evening all interested are invited to listen to a debate by members of the league, the subject being "Resolved, that government control of the liquor traffic is preferable to local option."

To Rectify Mistake.

Joseph Patrick, head of the Patrick Lumber company of Nelson, is in the city in connection with some business for his firm.

The firm has obtained the right to clear the Slocan river for a certain distance of obstructions. Owing to an error in making out the papers, a slight difficulty arose which Mr. Patrick is in the city to straighten out. With ex-Mayor Gillette of the same city, he was a visitor at the government buildings yesterday.

Young People Organize

The young people of the Anglican church in Victoria held a very successful meeting at the residence of Rev. Stanley Ard on Monday evening. It was decided to organize a Victoria branch of the Anglican Young Peoples' association and a committee consisting of Alfred Little, chairman; Miss K. Leary, secretary-treasurer; Miss Barnard, Miss K. Barnard, Rev. Mr. Ard, R. Duce and T. Ard, was appointed to carry out all arrangements and draw up a constitution and by-laws.

To Amend Company Act.

A bill was introduced at the session of the legislature yesterday by A. E. McPhillips (Islands) to amend the Companies act. In the past there has been no provision to permit non-personal liability companies to sell their assets to any but non-personal liability companies. The present measure straightens this out and permits of the free sale of assets. There are but few non-personal liability companies in the province and to a great extent such as do exist are small mining corporations.

Habeas Corpus Granted

In chambers yesterday, Mr. Justice Irving granted J. A. Aikman's application for a writ of habeas corpus to release Frank Fredericks, who had been sentenced to three months in jail for frequenting a house of ill-fame. The application was made on the grounds that the code provided that the accused person must be unable to give satisfactory account of himself as well as be a frequenter, and that in the case in question that allegation was not to be found either in the original information or in the warrant of committal and that in point of fact no evidence of that point had been introduced. For the crown George Morphy sought to introduce an amended warrant, but it was ruled out on the ground that the man would then be committed on a different offence from that on which he had been tried. The writ was granted.

SESSION BELIEVED TO BE NEARING END

Budget To Be Brought Down Not Later Than Monday—the Irrigation Measure

The present sitting of the legislature, by present indications, is nearing its final stages. The order paper is being thinned out, and it is unlikely that many more measures of any very great importance will be introduced. The budget will be brought down tomorrow or at all events not later than Monday next.

The session has been a fairly busy one, and some important legislation has been effected. Any irrigation legislation which is brought down will not be of a very sweeping nature, as the report of Prof. Carpenter was received too late to permit of the government preparing their measure in advance, as intended. It had been intended to have this drafted some time previous to the opening of the house and to submit it to the various parts of the province interested. In this way the government would be able to obtain suggestions from all concerned. The measure is entirely of a non-political nature, and it was hoped that a thorough canvass of those interested would be obtained so that the best possible results could be obtained.

If any legislation is introduced it will be purely preliminary to legislation of a fuller nature to follow.

MEXICAN LINER SAILS

British Coast Steamship Company's Fast Freighter Transit Carries Banner Load of Freight

The British Coast Steamship company's fast Mexican liner Transit sailed southbound for Guaymas and Mexican ports last night. The Transit carried one million feet of railway ties, consigned to the Yaqui River, Cananea & Pacific railway at Guaymas, besides several large consignments of box shooks and supplies for Mexican merchants.

Returning northbound the Transit will load fifteen hundred tons of ore for the Ladysmith smelter. This shipment is high-grade copper ore from Mexican mines on the Gulf of Lower California. Another important consignment of return freight will be five hundred tons of Mexican half-ground salt, to be delivered on Puget sound for Joseph L. K. Smith company, Ltd., of Victoria.

London's vital statistics for January, 82 births, 41 marriages, and 75 deaths.

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THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., February 18, 1908:

SYNOPSIS.

The high pressure area maintains its position over this western part of the continent, its centre being over the upper valley of the Mississippi. Light snow has fallen at Barkerville and light rain on the coast from Port Simpson southward to California. Temperatures west of the Rockies have been somewhat above the normal, but in the Yukon and throughout the Prairie provinces the weather remains cold.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria, B. C.	42	47
Vancouver	36	46
New Westminster	36	46
Kamloops	10	26
Barkerville	zero	24
Fort Simpson	34	40
Atlin	18	34
Dawson, Y. T.	—14	— 4
Calgary, Alta.	— 4	42
Winnipeg, Man.	— 6	12
Portland, Ore.	34	44
San Francisco, Cal.	44	60

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific Time) Wednesday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Light or moderate winds, chiefly easterly, unsettled with rain and not much change in temperature.

Lower Mainland: Light or moderate winds, unsettled with rain and stationary or higher temperature.

TUESDAY.

Highest	47
Lowest	42
Mean	44

Sunshine, 48 minutes.

Captain M. Ridley, one time master of the steamer Tacoma, and now with the Robert Dollar Steamship company, is in the city renewing acquaintances with his many waterfront friends, says the Tacoma Ledger. Captain Ridley calls Tacoma his home, but he seldom has an opportunity to remain here long. He was recently in command of the British steamer Bessie Dollar, but turned her over a short time ago to Captain Gow, who is taking her on a voyage from Portland to Yokohama. He is now awaiting command on one of the company's other vessels.

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The time used is Pacific Standard for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish High Water from Low Water.

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot above the average level of the lowest Low Water in each month of the year. This level is half a foot lower than the Datum to which the soundings on the Admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are reduced.

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THIEVES STEAL FURS

Purloin Valuable Garments From Chatham Street House—Get Clear Away

Sneak thieves are apparently operating in the city and several reports have been received by the police from victims of the light fingered gentry. Early Monday morning a thief, or thieves, broke into a house on Chatham street, gaining entrance through a window facing on that thoroughfare. From one room a sealskin jacket valued at $300 was taken and from an adjoining room a mink ruff and boa together with about $10 in cash, which was lying on the dresser. The thief, or thieves, succeeded in getting clear away with their booty without leaving a hint as to who they were. The matter was reported to the police. On Saturday evening some one entered a Fernwood road residence and purloined a raincoat from the hallway and escaped without being detected.

EXPLAINS POSITION

Letter Sets Forth Circumstances Relating to New Road In Oak Bay

In the report of the proceedings of the Oak Bay council, published in yesterday's Colonist, there appeared a reference to the refusal of Mrs. Sproule to dedicate a piece of property to the municipality for street purposes. As the situation was not made clear in this reference, the Colonist is asked to publish a copy of the letter, which reads as follows:

Victoria, Feb. 17, 1908.

J. S. Floyd, Esq., Clerk Municipality Oak Bay.

Dear Sir: Yours of the 14th inst. duly received, and in the first place let me say that all such communications should be addressed to Mr. Sproule, and I would also like to draw your attention to the fact that Mr. Sproule's name should be entered on the voters' list as the property is registered in his name.

In regard to the matter referred to in your letter Mr. Sproule wishes me to say that not having any desire to sub-divide his property he cannot see any advantage to be derived from a road, such as you propose, running through and dividing the property, but considers that it would seriously interfere with his own plans. We note that those whom you say have "dedicated" property for the continuation of the road are real estate speculators who have done so in their own interests and cannot by any means be looked upon as philanthropists.

A. E. SPROULE.

In Service at 98.

Mr. James Oliver, of Bodmin, who enjoys the distinction of being the oldest corporation official in England, recently celebrated his 98th birthday. He has passed the whole of his career in the borough, and in his early days was a foreman of roads. Subsequently he became connected with the corporation and for over fifty years has held either the office of mayor's servant or town sergeant. He still officiates in the latter position, and when the weather is favorable is seen at official functions. For many years he was the town farmer, having control over the markets, and his early reminiscences of Bodmin are interesting. He well remembers the Assize Hall being built, and the time when there was only one patient in the Cornwall Asylum. He is still hale and hearty.

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PREVENT DRIVING OF CATTLE ON STREETS

City Council Enacts New Regulations to Govern Such Traffic

As a result of many complaints from owners along the boulevarded streets in the James Bay section the city council has pased a bylaw for the regulation of the driving of animals through the streets of the city and the traffic on certain streets. At Monday night's meeting of the council a letter, one of several, written by F. Napier Dennison, Superior street, complaining of the damage being done to the boulevards by cattle been driven from the outer wharf to the several butchers' establishments in the city was read. This question had already been taken up by the city when a joint meeting of the last mayor and several of the butchers was held and it was decided to alow the owners of the cattle to drive their property along the Dallas Road to Cook street, along which latter thoroughfare they could be brought into the city. Apparently this agreement is not being lived up to and in view of more complaints and with the idea of regulating this traffic once and for all, Ald. Henderson introduced the bylaw of which the following are the important sections:

1. The Streets bylaw, No. 340, is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:—

7a. No person shall hereafter drive through any boulevarded street of the City any unharnessed or unled horses, cattle, sheep, swine or other like animals, and all such streets are hereby closed to traffic in respect to the driving through the same of any such animals.

7b. Any person driving any of the animals by the next preceding paragraph prohibited on boulevarded streets prohibited shall be deemed to commit an offence against this bylaw and shall, upon conviction, be subject to a penalty of not less than $20 or not exceeding $200.

7c. Whenever unharnessed of unled horses, cattle, swine or other like animals are driven through the streets of the city the same shall be preceded by one or more drivers, and such advance drivers shall take all necessary means to prevent any of such animals from turning or straying into boulevarded streets, and shall caution passengers in advance of the danger of the approach of such cattle.

7d. Any person driving any of such animals through any streets of the city intersected by boulevarded streets, without any advance driver or drivers shall be deemed to commit an offence, and shall, on conviction, be liable to a penalty of not exceeding $50.

7c. No person shall wilfully break, injure, dig up or destroy the sod or grass, trees or plants of, or in any boulevard, or the railings surrounding the same, or drive any horse or other animal or vehicle on the same.

7f. No person shall lead, drive or place any horse, cow or other animal in or upon any boulevard, or permit any horse, cow or other animal owned by him, or being in his possession, to go or be therein or thereon.

7g. The justices or police magistrate before whom any complaint may be brought of offences against the next preceding six subsections may enquire into and ascertain the cost of making good any damage done consequent upon any infraction of the next six preceding sections, or any of them, and may in addition to the penalties prescribed, award and direct as additional penalty the cost of making good any such damage.

2. Said bylaw No. 340 is hereby further amended by adding thereto the following section:—

9a. No person shall drive any unharnessed or unled horses, cattle, sheep, swine or other animals through any street of the city at any time without having obtained a written permit from the chief of police.

HEN'S FREAK PRODUCT

Lays Egg in Which is Contained Another Complete Egg

A perfect egg within an egg was the unique product of an ambitious Brahma hen, the property of Constable Andrew Wood. Yesterday morning from his hen house the police officer obtained an egg of unusual size and shape, more like a goose egg than the product of an everyday hen. It promised more than the usual amount of fry, but when the shell was broken there fell out into the frying pan another egg, perfect in every particular. Even the hen herself was apparently deceived as to the makeup of her egg, as no particular commotion had been noticed around the yard such as might be expected on the part of the author of such a curiosity. Now Constable Wood wants to know if there ever was such a unique egg laid before. He feels that his hen has beaten all records in the matter of freak hen fruit.

HUGHES ELECTED MAYOR

Mock Electon at St. Andrew's Church Provides Much Amusement

The mock election held by the Young People of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church on Monday night in the lecture room of the church proved a decided success and furnished a maximum of amusement and instruction to an extremely large audience. The election was for the purpose of electing a mayor, alderman and school trustee. After eloquent speeches had been made by the various aspirants for office, the ballot was taken, with the result that Mr. Hughes was elected as mayor, Mr. Brown as alderman and Mr. Crellin as trustee. All the problems which confront the city of Victoria were ably discussed, and the necessity of more school accommodation, the need of a better water supply, the liquor question and woman suffrage, with a number of other public questions, were expounded to the electorate. The ballot resulted as follows: For mayor—Mr. Hughes, 76; J. L. White, 36. For alderman—G. S. Brown, 86; J. W. Hescott, 26. For school trustee—J. C. Crellin, 68; W. Crowther, 45. As the counting of the ballots was being proceeded with, the results were posted, and much excitement was occasioned as the figures of the various candidates were announced. The meeting closed with speeches from the various successful candidates, and a vote of thanks to the chairman. Next week a social arranged by the newcomers will be given. All will be welcome.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stewart-Bishop.

At 7:30 yesterday morning at the residence of the bride's father, George Bishop, 10 Garbally road, Rev. Dr. Campbell solemnized the marriage of Duncan Stewart and Helen Jeanet Bertram Bishop, the eldest daughter. Only the immediate members of the family were present, but a host of friends of the contracting parties were present in spirit and represented in a memorable fashion in the long list of choice wedding gifts.

The bride's going away dress was of royal blue, and she wore a blue hat and marten furs. After partaking of a wedding breakfast, and receiving the congratulations of all present, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart drove to the Princess Royal en route to Seattle. The honeymoon tour is to be extended to Eastern cities and will be of about a month's duration.

The bride, a native daughter by the way, is very popular amongst a large circle of friends and has on numerous occasions given pleasure to public audiences by affording them an opportunity of admiring her vocal accomplishments.

The groom is one of the pioneer business men of Victoria, having for years been the junior partner of the firm of Tolmie & Stewart, and, on the retirement of Mr. Tolmie, the head of the concern ever since.

On their return from their honeymoon trip Mr. and Mrs. Stewart will take up their residence in Victoria.

DISPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT RECORDS

Investigation Held Completely Exonerated Mr. Archibald Dick, Coal Mine Inspector

The assertions of Parker Williams, M. P. P. for Newcastle in the legislature yesterday that the charge made against Mr. Archibald Dick had not been investigated, are not borne out by the records of the department.

W. W. Spinks of Vernon was appointed a commissioner to investigate. He conducted an investigation in Dec. 1904 and the following report was received by the department in January 1905:

After hearing all the witnesses brought before me at Fernie, B. C. and at Nanaimo and examining all the books of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal company including all cheques issued by the said company and the counterfoils for the same; I find that there is no evidence to show that A. Dick received any money either directly or indirectly from the said company or from any official or any person connected with the company or that he received any benefits or favors from the said company or from any officials connected with the said company.

I find that the reports of A. Dick as to the condition of the mine were true and correct reports.

From the evidence it does not appear that the present inspector of mines at Fernie has made any change in the regulations for the conduct of the said mines, instituted by A. Dick as to shot firing or otherwise.

There is nothing in the evidence to lead me to believe that A. Dick is not a competent inspector of mines.

(Signed W. WARD. SPINKS.

G.T.P. OFFICIAL LEAVES AGAIN FOR VICTORIA

W. Wainwright is Dispatched to Victoria in View of the Recent Developments

William Wainwright, second vice-president of the G. T. R., is leaving for this city from Montreal.

The opposition with which the reported arrangements between the provincial government and the new transcontinental railway has met with on the part of the Liberals in the legislature has been given wide circulation in the East. By this the Liberals take exception to the terms of the agreement as too generous on the part of the provincial government. They point out that by the terms of the railway's federal charter, they have to come to the coast in any event and have their western lines completed by 1811, and there has been more than one hint that the action of the Liberals here has been inspired from Ottawa.

Whether the agreement is entirely satisfactory to the G. T. R. has not been announced, and the provincoal government has not divulged whether any communication between the officials in Montreal and Victoria have passed. It is believed, however, that Mr. Wainwright has been dispatched to the coast to endeavor to hasten a settlement of the affairs and at the same time to size up and endeavor to estimate the meaning of this action from a section of the Liberal camp which, up to these negotiations, has all along done everything in its power to facilitate the construction of the railway. The action of the Liberals of British Columbia, critics point out, does not exactly jibe with that of their friends at Ottawa. Nothing was too great to concede to the railway in the commencement to induce them to undertake the project.

The very moderate terms which the railway has asked by way of settlement of the outstanding differences in this province could hardly provoke the continued carping of John Oliver unless it betokened a change of front at Ottawa.

With the certainty of the completion of construction of the G. T. R. through to the mountains, people are asking why Liberals who thus far did all they could to expedite the work should suddenly change front when construction through British Columbia is broached.

Mr. Wainwright will probably arrive by the beginning of next week.

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CASE IS CLOSED IN THE CHEHALIS APPEAL

Legal Argument by E. P. Davis, K.C.—Hunting vs. MacAdam for Today

The arguments in the Chehalis appeal were concluded yesterday afternoon, coming to an end somewhat sooner than had been anticipated. The court reserved its decision.

Continuing his argument of the previous day, E. V. Bodwell, K. C., argued that the appellants had not proved that there was any custom under which boats were wont to take the south side of the channel going out of the harbor, and that the Chehalis was crossing the usual course of ships leaving the docks. Such being the case it was the part of a prudent navigator to satisfy himself that in so doing his boat was not interfering with any other ships. On the question of what constituted prudent navigation in such cases, he quoted from the American regulations affecting inland waters to show that one boat was not allowed to crowd another, and he urged that choosing such a course was negligent navigation on the part of Capt. Howse.

E. P. Davis, K. C., opened his argument by remarking that this appeal presented a peculiar condition which had probably never arisen before, in that it was not merely an appeal from the judgment of a judge, but also an appeal from the verdict of the assessors on a question of nautical skill, thus the appeal would be circumscribed in a way that an ordinary appeal would not be. The appeal was taken on three grounds, on the law, on the facts, and on the scientific opinions of the assessors. On the last, he submitted that the appeal was a technical one only, and he quoted cases to show that it was the custom of courts to abide by the professional verdicts of their assessors, although there was and could be no law laid down compelling them so to do. He urged, however, that except in extraordinary cases, such as in instances of corruption or palpable incompetence, of which there was no suggestion here, their lordships would not differ from the expert advisers in the court below on scientific matters.

On the facts the court would hold that the burden of proof lay upon the appellants more so when the whole question was one of credibility of witnesses. Here, counsel contended, the case rested on one central fact. "Did the Chehalis change her course?" He said that his learned friend, Mr. Martin, had termed the principal witnesses of the defense, liars, and asked the court to hold them all either ignorant, incompetent or perjured. Mr. Davis cited the trial judge's opinion of the witnesses and quoted cases under which he urged that the opinion of the trial judge in such a case was to all intents and purposes conclusive.

He said that his own side had offered expert witnesses, who were refused on objection by the defense, who held that the practice of the admiralty court should be followed. The result was that the opinions of the assessors must be held to take the place of expert testimony which, when unanimous, was not to be disregarded. The plaintiff's strongest point was that the Princess Victoria had created the jeopardy by being where she was under the circumstances which existed. This was a question of seamanship, and the assessors had held that Capt. Griffin was perfectly justified in all that he did, which should be conclusive.

If the Chehalis did change her course, it was due either to the tide or to a voluntary or involuntary movement of the helm. If the first, Capt. Howse was, on his own evidence, grossly negligent, and he was also responsible for either of the two other alternatives.

Replying, Joseph Martin, K. C., argued that Capt. Griffin's log did not contain any statement that the Chehalis had changed her course, the suggestion being an afterthought when the trial came on. He also cited cases where judges had disregarded the findings of their assessors, and said that the rule was that the judge must decide according to his own opinion after considering that of his professional advisers. After answering a number of other points raised by counsel for the defense, the case closed.

Hunting vs. McAdam, an appeal from a judgment of the chief justice, will be heard today.

CHANGES IN GAME LAWS

Delegation Suggests Various Amendments to Regulations For the Protection of Game

A delegation appointed at the recent meeting of those interested in the game laws of the province, has interviewed the provincial government with regard to the recommendations which they ask be adopted by the government.

They ask that the open season for all game be considerably shortened; that for all game, the open season shall not commence until October 1. They ask that pigeons be placed in the same category as other game, with a close season.

A suggestion was also made that the government place a game reserve upon selected tracts of lands on Vancouver island for the purposes of a game reserve.

In view of the revenue which might be derived from the game of the province, and in the light of the recommendation contained in the annual report of the provincial game warden, they ask that additional game warden be appointed upon the islands in the Gulf of Georgia and that a fast patrol launch be provided for the gulf shores.

The question of a gun license was not pressed by the delegation in view of the opposition with which it has been met from various quarters. The delegation expressed their opinion, however, that it would be a step in the right direction.

Premier McBride promised the matter every consideration. The matter is almost entirely a departmental one and no additional legislation for the change in the open season at any rate, is necessary. The latter falls under the direction of the chief commissioner of lands and works and it is probable that some such action as that suggested will be taken. The delegation consisted of A. E. Todd, J. Murgrave, Otto Weller and R. A. Pooley.

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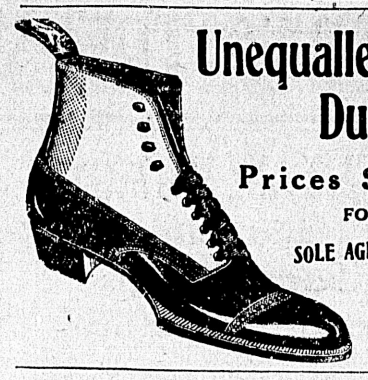
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The taste for color seems to be a more or less modern acquisition, judging from the gray and gold wall-papers, the nondescript carpets, and the chilly looking furniture and tapestries still to be found in old houses. Or it would be more correct to say that the feeling for color seemed lost for several generations, since, going back further still, we find the most beautiful combinations of rich color in ancient tapestries, brocades and needlework.

Color must naturally be handled with perception and common sense. To hang a glowing poppy-red paper in a south dining room is to court failure, at any rate through the summer months; and, conversely, to plan a white and green scheme for a room which the sun enters only early in the morning is a mistake. But the right color in the right place works a transformation almost incredible.

In the same way a dark little sitting room, hung perhaps with a gloomy olive green or terra-cotta paper, may be made into a delightfully cheerful room by running a buttercup yellow paper over the walls. I know a dainty one, with a cream pattern and a suggestion of a deeper yellow stripe in the background.—Woman.

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In Woman's Realm

In devoting more space than formerly to the affairs of women, the Colonist is taking a step which it is hoped our lady friends will appreciate. Any communication from them of general interest will be welcome and carefully attended to.

HERE AND THERE

The Hon. Richard Harcourt, former minister of education for Ontario in a recent speech, urged upon the Ontario government the necessity of technical education. He wanted the children of the country to have an opportunity of learning trades in their youth. He pointed to the fact that every facility was afforded the young men and women, who wished to study for the professions and contended that the state should do as much for the artisen.

The speaker pointed to the industrial supremacy of the State of Massachusetts and indicated that it was in part owing to the introduction of technical education. The school life of Switzerland was, Mr. Harcourt said, related to every trade in the country and the Swiss in certain lines of industry knew no superiors. The Germans too owed their high place in the industrial world to their technical schools.

This movement for the establishment of schools where boys and girls shall be instructed in mechanical arts before they enter upon their life's work is spreading on this continent. In Canada for many years to come, agriculture will be the chief industry of the country and the movement set on foot by Sir William McDonald to give specific instructions in all that relates to the farm will without doubt, bear good fruit, indeed its results are already being felt.

Whether the time has arrived when in the cities technical education should be established is a question that requires serious consideration. There can be no doubt that Canada is destined to be a great manufacturing as well as agricultural nation. Educationalists are not however agreed that the time has arrived when boys and girls, after completing their common school course, should receive specific training in the arts of trades by which they intend to earn their living.

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What a bare and dreary world this would be if there were no flowers. Yet we can understand that we might have had food and clothing, indeed, every necessity of life, physically, without the frail blossoms that fill the world with beauty and perfume. In how many unexpected places we find them! They surprise the mountain-climber as he nears the edge of the glacier, and they cheer the heart of the traveler in the sultry desert. By the dusty wayside as in the depth of the forest the flowers spring up about our feet and gladden us with their presence. There are none who are insensible to their charm. The prattling infant and the gray-haired man alike delight to behold the lilies of the field.

Is not courtesy the counterpart in the social world of the grace, the beauty and the fragrance of the flowers? It is not the meat and drink of life. Strength and bravery and even love itself may exist without courtesy. Yet how much harder and wearier would the world be without it. True courtesy seems to be much the child of nature as the lily or the violet. We see it in the untaught child and the uncultured laborer as often as in the cultured lady or the educated man of the world. It is the innate gentleness which always seeks to give pleasure or rather which gives pleasure without effort. What an atmosphere of happiness surrounds the courteous person. As he goes through life he scatters smiles and calls forth a response from even the saddest hearts. The little acts of kindness and the small observances which do so much to smooth life's pathway are never forgotten. Such courtesy cannot be taught, thought it may be inherited.

There are, it must be granted, courteous people who lack the great virtue of truthfulness. They are not strong enough to give pain even when pain is necessary and wholesome. But these cases are rare, just as among flowers poisonous blossoms are seldom found. It is oftener the case that courtesy springs from a loving spirit and can, when occasion arises, oppose without arousing resentment and heal without pain.

But if, in this sense, courtesy is rare, we may all acquire what to most people must be its substitute—good manners. It is probable that among those who first listened to the injunction, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, do ye even so to them," there were some who were already possessed of the spirit that animated the Master, but to most a lifetime of training scarcely served to make them yield to it an imperfect obedience. Most men and women must, if they would acquire the art of pleasing, take much time and great pains, but no one need despair whose heart is filled with genuine good will toward mankind. It is only the selfish and the cruel who are habitually rude.

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Children were never the subjects of as much thought and care in all the communities of the world as they are in these days. The state is fully alive to its responsibility for the safety and the well being of the rising generation. Everywhere laws are being made for the protection of the children. It should never, however, be forgotten for a moment that no amount of public care can be a substitute for the natural love and protection of the home. It would be a thousand times better that the state should leave the children wholly to the parents than that these natural guardians should surrender their rights to the state. However, in our present economy, there is room for the most active exertion of the influence of both the home and the state. The question of juvenile courts has occupied considerable attention among the women of this city, and we copy from the Montreal Star the following short, but suggestive, article, which is upon the juvenile courts in Britain:

"The juvenile court movement is now incorporated in a bill before the British parliament. The bill lays down succinctly the excellent principle that children should never be imprisoned under any circumstances. In two words, a child does not cease to be a child when it commits a crime. In the family, we go always upon this theory. We never think of imposing upon children the responsibilities of adults under any circumstances. And the state might well take its 'cue' in this family matter from the family.

"We cannot afford in Canada to lag behind Britain and the United States in this matter of children's courts. Yet in both countries such courts already exist. When the child breaks a law, there ought to be special machinery for its treatment all the way from its arrest to its final liberation—cured, let us hope, of any further criminal propensity. We should never for a moment send it to school to its elders in crime. We should not brand it publicly as a criminal. We should never minister to the taste of all children for conspicuousness by giving it the distinction of having stood in a prisoner's dock by reason of its daring in defying the police and the law. Crime for a child should lead straight to seclusion, kind treatment and the inculcation of sound ideas.

WOMAN'S WORK

The W. C. T. U. will hold a reception at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. All members both men and women, who gave in their names for membership at Miss Murcutt's meeting, as well as all White Ribboner's visiting the city are cordially invited to attend the reception.

Mrs. Asa Gordon, Dominion evangelistic superintendent, will be present and will address the members.

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The regular meeting of the Mother's club will take place this afternoon in the Spring Ridge school at half past two.

The meeting will be addressed by Dr. Alice Fuller, the subject being "How to Treat Half Grown Girls."

All mothers and others interested are cordially invited to attend.

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Dr. Alice Fuller will give a health talk to young girls on Wednesday, 19th at 8 p. m. in the rooms of the Young Women's Christian association on Government street.

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Every seat in the hall of the W. C. T. U. mission was occupied on Saturday night, when the Young People of the Calvary Baptist church, assisted by the Marine Trio orchestra, gave a delightful entertainment. The following is the programme:

Overture, Hill's March in G.....
Marine Trio Orchestra.
Vocal solo, "The Mocking Bird"...
Miss Cocker.
Instrumental duet .....
Miss and Master Alexander.
Double Eagle March .....
Orchestra.
Piano solo, "Angels' Seranade".....
Miss Alexander.

The Young People's society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church will provide the programme for next Saturday's concert.

FOR EASTER FESTIVITIES

There is nothing that requires so much reflection as a party frock for a girl of 15 years. It is the time when she is just emerging from childhood and the plain white batiste dresses are no longer quite dressy enough, and yet silken fabrics are still for her older sisters. China silk is appropriate, it is true, but is such perishable material, and it really has not a very dressy appearance, for some reason.

Just now anxious mothers must begin to plan dresses for Easter festivities, and at the same time most of them want to make a fortunate choice of material, so that the "party frock" for her holidays will be a "best frock" for the rest of the summer.

There are several materials to choose from, but as hand embroidery is so much the rage it cannot be altogether overlooked, so scrim, or woolen canvas, odd as it sounds, is a very good choice. It is a material that wears well and is soft enough to cling to the figure, and at the same time it may be embroidered with drawnwork, for the threads are easily pulled. It is, too, a very pleasant material to sew on, and there is no right or wrong side to be taken into consideration.

A good model for a girl of this age is a combination of the empire back, the panel front and mikado sleeves. The latter are cut in one piece with the waist, but split on top of the arm to the shoulder to add the necessary fulness so that the sleeve does not bind the arm. The undersleeves may be a series of ruffles made of fine batiste edged with valenciennes lace, and the guimpe may be made to match.

The drawnwork should be done around the sleeves and on each side of the slit, around the yoke, down the box pleat which runs from yoke to hem of dress and, if desired, around the hem. It may be done in the form of hemstitching or wide, double hemstitching. The back of the dress is better finished in two box pleats or one double box pleat; and the belt of pompadour ribbon should extend from the outer fold of this to the outer fold of the front pleat, being tacked slightly higher than the waistline in the back. Thus front and back will retain the straight, unbroken line, while on the sides the figure will be outlined.

To make the dress will require a little handwork, but the materials used are very inexpensive, and the dress is practically untrimmed, so the result is sure to be economical, even if made at the dressmaker's.

For the Nervous Woman.

Some people have contempt for the nervous ones, but in truth what they deserve is pity. Sunlight is a superb medicine for nerves. What the nervous woman should do is to brace up and take her self in hand and live according to the rules which every woman, whether or not, ought to follow. The first thing she should do is to eat good, healthy, nourishing foods, such as nice broths, daintily served vegetables, little steaks and chops, and plenty of eggs, fattening cereals and drinks. Then she should hie herself to the park every morning and walk until she is tired and hungry. Now, after a nice, refreshing and nourishing lunch, let her lie down for a good nap, after taking a refreshing sponge bath.

Wm. Headford, aged 35 of London, committed suicide at Pontiac, Mich.

PERSONAL MENTION

The Colonist readers are asked to assist in making this personal column as complete as possible. Send or phone items to the city editor.

Mrs. F. B. Pemberton left on the Princess Victoria this morning for Vancouver, whence she will travel by way of the C. P. R. to New York, sailing on the Cunarder Carmania for the Old Country.

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L. Grant left this morning via the Princess Victoria and the C. P. R. for Providence, R. I.

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Miss Fox leaves tomorrow morning on the Princess Victoria and the C. P. R. for Port Arthur, Ont., on a short visit. She will spend a day or two in Winnipeg en route.

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Among the passengers on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver this morning were: K. Kidaro, J. C. Gardner, D. Spencer, R. M. Todd, W. W. Duncan, Captain Collister, A. D. Campbell, F. F. Jackson, J. Davidson, F. Metcalf, J. B. Ferguson, A. H. Foster and James Trumble.

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Sir Edgar Vincent, who lectured recently before the local Canadian club, left this morning on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver.

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Rev. H. A. Collinson, who has recently been appointed by the Bishop of Columbia to the Cedar Hill church, arrived in the city on Monday from Naas River, and will take up his duties at once.

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Capt. Clive Phillips-Wolley and daughter arrived in the city yesterday to attend the ball at the Empress hotel. They are at the Balmoral.

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Dr. C. T. Hilton, who has recently arrived from the East, left yesterday morning for Alberni, where he will in future practice his profession.

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Miss Pearl Robertson, 2547 Blanchard avenue, and her cousin, Mrs. Harry Robertson, have gone to spend a few days with relatives in Seattle.

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Mr. John Norderes and mother, of Portland, Ore., spent Sunday in the city, the guests of Mr. M. Thompson, manager of the Pacific wireless station, and Mrs. Thompson.

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Mrs. C. W. Denham has left for Harrison Hot Springs for the benefit of her health, and will remain there for a few weeks.

STYLES FOR THE SPRING

Already there is an atmosphere of spring about the boulevards. All of the shops are showing spring clothes, and the only conversation one hears when women are about concerns the new models for warm weather. Perhaps this air of spring is a little previous, but, of course, every one is buying gowns to wear in Nice and Monte Carlo, and the strange part is that still there are many winter costumes visible and furs have not yet been discarded. The last gaieties before Lent are bringing out all the evening finery, and never were so many sumptuous dresses shown as during the present season.

The Paquin skirt with the front drapery has changed to a skirt of the same cut with a drapery at each side. The shirred waist lines have given place to tightened material tacked here and there to give the appearance of shirring, but the effect is less rigid.

The evening dresses, and, indeed, some of the afternoon dresses, are made with a deep fold of the material that curves almost to the waist, while lace fills in the space to the line of proper decollete. Sometimes this lace is point de Venise or duchess, but more often it is point de Flandres or real valenciennes. Little bead medallions are used in the centre of the front just above the fold, and this trimming on a plain white satin dress detracts from the bridal look.

A charming afternoon model gown in one of the largest houses is a dark blue chiffon cloth, finished with a deep square yoke of Japanese embroidery in a lighter blue. This is piped with a fold of magenta velvet, which is also used on the cuffs. The girdle that matches the dress is worn in the fatima style, and the skirt is trimmed with bands of the velvet and finished at the bottom with four deep folds.

The fatima scarf, by the way, is simply a piece of chiffon, about half a yard wide, brought tightly around waist and hips and tied in a knot on the left side.

A clever idea is shown in a dancing frock of white chiffon made up over white silk. The skirt is finished at the bottom with a fourteen-inch band of flowered chiffon, while below this and for four inches from the floor it a hem of black. This prevents the white from soiling, and the dress will last about four times as long as it otherwise would.

Peacock blue, which is so very popular here, is used in an afternoon dress, with silk underskirt of deep blue, while the chiffon dress is lighter and of a more greenish hue. This is heavily trimmed with silver braid around skirt and collar.

In one of the pre-Lenten weddings the bride's gown was rarely beautiful and well worth mentioning. It was of white satin made in the princess style, for any looser fashion would not be becoming under the bridal veil, and was made quite plain, except for the panel of rose point lace, which began quite wide on the shoulder, became narrower at the waist and broadened to the bottom of the skirt. The lace was edged on each side with a blas band of satin, which was heavily embroidered with silver.

William Kerr, a prominent contractor and builder of Belfast, died recently, aged 78. Kerr started life as a carpenter at Comber, County Down. He was one of the best known men in Belfast.

Operations which have been carried out for some time in County Derry have shown that the county is rich in minerals. It is announced that an important find of coal has been made quite near the surface in the parish of Aghanloo.

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NUTS AS FOOD

That the constantly increasing consumption of nuts throughout the United States argues well for a better appreciation of their food value is the argument of M. E. Jaffa, assistant professor of nutrition in the University of California.

While a very concentrated food, nuts he says, when rationally used, are well assimilated and may form part of a well-balanced ration. However, vegetarians and others who use nuts in place of meat should not depend upon them as the main food supply, but should supplement them with more bulky foods with a low content of protein and fat.

As a whole, Prof. Jaffa thinks nuts may be classed among the staple foods and not simply as food accessories. Further, nut butters and similar foods give a pleasant variety to the diet, and they are relished by many who would not care for the unprepared nuts.

The edible portion of nuts, Professor Jaffa states, with few exceptions, is very concentrated food, containing little water and much fat.

In general, nuts are also rich in protein. Some rank high in this nutriment, among them the pignolia, a variety of pine nut imported from Spain, with 33.9 per cent; the peanut, with 29.8 per cent, and the butternut, with 27.9 per cent protein. In this respect these nuts exceed most ordinary animal or vegetable foods.

The almond, with 21.4 per cent and the beechnut, with 21.8 per cent, stand high among the nutritive nuts The Brazil nut contains 17.4 per cent of protein, the filbert 16.5 per cent, the walnut 18.2 per cent, the hickory nut 15.4 per cent, while the dried chestnut has but 10.7 per cent.

As protein is the nitrogeneous material in an animal or vegetable substance, its presence in food stuffs is important.

When one looks for fat he finds that the richest in this composition is the pecan, with 70.7 per cent. Seven other varieties, however, contain over 60 per cent. They are the Brazil nut, walnut, hickory nut, butternut, candlenut, filbert and pinenut.

Between 50 and 60 per cent of fat may be found in the almond, cocoanut and pistachio, while the beechnut and peanut contain 50 per cent.

Considerable difference of composition is found in comparing an olly nut like the walnut, with a starchy nut, such as the chestnut.

The walnut, for instance, contains 60.7 per cent of fat, while the dry chestnut has only 7.8 per cent, the chestnut has 70.1 per cent of sugar, starch, etc., while the walnut has 13.7 per cent. They are not so far apart in protein, the walnut having 18.2 per cent and the chestnut 10.7.

Leaving these and dried beans out of the question, no foodstuffs, perhaps, has the reputation for indigestibility that has been fastened upon nuts.

Professor Jaffa, however, comes to the rescue of the nut's fair name.

He declares that discomfort from them is largely due to insufficient mastication, and also to the fact that nuts are often eaten when not needed, as after a hearty meal or late at night.

Still, he acknowledges that nut protein, as ordinarily eaten is not so completely digested as meat protein. One reason for this, no doubt, is the concentration of nuts, with but 3 to 5 per cent water, as compared with meats, containing from 50 to 70 per cent water.

"If careful consideration were given this matter," the professor states, "and if attention were paid to the proper use of nuts and their correct places in the diet, there would be less unfavorable comment on their digestibility.

Bulkiness Aids Digestion.

"It must not be forgotten that a certain bulkiness of diet is conducive to its normal assimilation and that too concentrated nutriment is oftel the cause of digestive disturbances.

"It might be expected then, that nuts could be most advantageously used in connection with more bulky food, such as fruits, vegetables, breads and crackers. They should constitute an integral part of the menu rather than supplement an already abundant meal.

"Since nuts are so concentrated eating a considerable quantity out of hand at odd times will mean an oversupply of food if a corresponding reduction is not made in other foods.

"The distress experienced when nuts are eaten is undoubtedly often due to improper mastication or to overindulgence. Investigations made at the California station indicate clearly that considerable quantities of nuts properly eaten do not cause distress.

"There is a popular belief that a little salt with nuts prevents the digestive disturbance resulting from eating them. To most persons salt undoubtedly adds to the palatability of the nuts, but no investigations have been found on record which demonstrates and actual improvement in the digestibility of nuts due to salt.

"Nuts may be used readily as staple articles of diet—as an ingredient in salads and soups, as a stuffing for poultry, in the making of desserts and in many other ways.

"Wild turkey stuffed with pecan nuts is a dish popular with old Virginia cooks, just as goose stuffed with chestnuts is prized in Germany.

"In general, the nuts rich in protein and fat should be used in combination with carbohydrate foods, as bread, fruit and green vegetables, while such nuts as the chestnut, which do not contain much protein or fat, but are rich in carbohydrates, may be combined properly with meats, milk, eggs and other foods containing protein and fat."

That more nuts are not used is due partly to the high price of many varieties, especially when shelled, and to the difficulty of cracking some varieties, like pecans, black walnuts and hickory nuts, at home and extracting the kernels. The consumption of peanuts and English walnuts is increasing faster than that of most other kinds for this reason.

Within recent years the use of nut butters has increased to a remarkable extent. With the addition of sugar, pastes for candy making are prepared from nuts by confectioners. Nut flours and meals are used considerably in some sections of the country.

Almond meal has been on the market for a long time. Chestnut flour is used extensively in Italy for making a sort of bread or cake. The American Indians use the acorn as a staple food. Coffee made from peanuts and acorns is in common use in some sections.

The Quarrel of Friends.

Alas! they had been friends in youth;
But whispering tongues can poison truth;
And constancy lives in realms above;
And life is thorny; and youth is vain;
And to be wroth with one we love
Doth work like madness in the brain,
And thus it chanced, as I divine,
With Roland and Sir Leoline!
Eask spoke words of high disdain
And insult to his heart's best brother;
They parted—ne'er to meet again!
But never neither found another
To free the hollow heart from paining,
They stood aloof, the scars remaining,
Like cliffs which ahd been rent asunder,
A dreary sea now flows between,
But neither heat, nor frost, nor thunder
Shall wholly do away, I ween,
The marks of that which once hath been. —S. T. Coleridge.

Ruffles on Hats

Many of the spring hats have ruffles of lace sewn inside just where the crown and the brim are fastened together. This ruffle is allowed to fall over the hair, and it makes a very attractive and becoming addition.

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DOG SHOW COMMITTEE MEETING WITH SUCCESS

Generous Response From Citizens to Appeal for Donations For Kennel Show

The committee appointed at the recent meeting of the Dog Show association to solicit trophies and cups from the merchants, hotel men, and in fact all those who have the interest of the Kennel club at heart for the big kennel show on April 1-4, inclusive, are meeting with great success in the number of donators from friends of the association.

Although the committee have only been canvassing the city about a week a hearty response from all quarters has been forthcoming and if indications point to anything the number and value of the various special prizes that will be offered this year will exceed anything that has ever been given in the past in this city.

It is also probable, the committee states, that the entry list this year will be the greatest in the history of the local club. This is due to the fact that the prizes offered will be greater and more valuable than heretofore. Advices from outside points are to the effect that many of the dog fanciers in the big American towns, attracted by the merit of the coming show, will exhibit here, and when the time approaches for the holding of the show it is expected that many more entry announcements will be forthcoming.

The one big uncertainty that is at present confronting the directors is whether or not the use of the drill hall will be granted by the Dominion government, and as the committee are making every endeavor to hold the show in this spacious building, and as they state that there is no valid reason why it should not be given to them, the chances are very strong that the government will grant their request.

The canvassing committee, composed of the following gentlemen, Messrs. Hodgson, Florence, Wallis, Fairfull and Hickford, report that among the many valuable trophies that have been received up to date are the following: George Florence, cup; T. P. McConnel, cup; J. C. Hickford, cup; Mrs. J. Wallis, cup; W. Winsby, cup; J. W. Creighton, cup; L. Miller, cup; W. E. Ditchburn, cup; J Large, gold nugget; R. Hanson, books, traveling dog kennel and one year's subscription to Our Dogs. The committee states that about twenty cups and many valuable cash prizes have been presented up to date.

Wizard Loses to Cutler

Philadelphia, Feb. 18.—Albert Cutler, of Boston defeated Jake Schaefer of Chicago here tonight in the first game of a 1,500-point 18.1 balk-line billiard match by a score of 300 to 283.

NEW YORK KENNEL SHOW

Over Two Thousand Dogs Benched in Animal Muster of Finest Breeds in Country

New York, February 18.—More than two thousand dogs were benched at the Madison Square Garden last week for the annual muster of the finest of their breed under the auspices of the Westminster Kennel Club. Some new specimens of old breeds were shown, including old Irish wolf hounds which have not been seen at a dog show in this city for years. Erskine dogs which, heretofore, have been shown in miscellaneous class will be shown in separate classes this year and will be seen hitched up.

In the bloodhound division many fine dogs are shown, including Dr. Knok's Magician, while both the St Bernard and Great Dane classes are well filled. The absence of Valley Farm Kennels dogs from the Russian wolf hound classes has resulted in the largest entry list ever seen in New York in this breed. In the fox hound division were shown the Crafton hounds and those of the Waveland Kennels and of the Middlesex Hunt Club. Among the pointers are several champions, including those of George J. Gould, George Bleistein and W. T. Payne.

San Francisco sent the collies of William Ellery, including Val Verde Farewell, which are expected to hold their own against eastern champions. Thursday night the dogs recently added to the New York police force were exhibited, protecting a patrolman, attacking a suspect and stopping an escaping prisoner.

Fincke Defeats Thorn

Boston, Feb. 18.—A well-fought match, in which B Fincke, of New York defeated G. A. Thorn, of Chicago, opened the national racquet championship here today. The score was 11-15, 11-6, 15-11, 15-2.

Bowling Record Broken.

Cincinnati, O, Feb. 18.—The world's record for individual bowling was broken at the American bowling congress this afternoon by Arthur W. Ingler, of Chicago, who bowled 699. The previous high record was made by D. A. Jones, of Milwaukee, who scored 683 at Indianapolis in 1903.

PROVINCIAL MEETS FOR OLYMPIC CANDIDATES

Winners in These to Compete in Final Dominion Test at Central Point

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 17.—The Canadian Olympic games committee met Saturday in the office of the governor general and appointed a sub-committee to control all the branches of different sports to be represented at London.

The delegates also waited on Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who promised favorable consideration towards government aid in sending the Canadian representatives abroad.

It was also decided to hold provincial meets and the winners in these contests will compete in a final Dominion test for places in the teams. A central meet will be held in Montreal or Toronto not later than June 6.

COMPLETE CANADIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

Nearly All Associations United in One Big Representative Committee

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—All difficulties have been cleared out of the way of united action among the amateur athletic organizations of the Dominion towards a first class Canadian representative at the Olympic games in Great Britain this year. A preliminary organization has been completed by the formation of a strong committee which will now proceed to arrange for selection of competitors and teams for England, and for raising of the necessary funds. The committee is as follows:

Representing the British Olympic Committee—Col J. Hanbury-Williams, P. D. Ross, Rev. D. Bruce MacDonald, F. L. C. Pereira, Hon. secretary.

Canadian Amateur Athletic Union—Inspector William Stark, J. G. Merrick and Controller J. J. Ward, Toronto; C C. Holland, Montreal.

Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada—Lieut.-Col. Whitehead, Leslie Boyd, and T. O'Connell, of Montreal; William Foran, Ottawa.

Canadian Association of Amateur Oarsmen—Claude Macdonell, M. P., and T. P. Galt, Toronto.

Canadian Golf Association—Dr. Ruttan, Montreal; A. W. Austin, Toronto.

Amateur Skating Association, of Canada—W G. Ross and Jas. A. Taylor, Montreal.

Inter-Provincial Rugby Union—George Ballard, Hamilton; H. B. McGiverin, Ottawa.

Canadian Tennis Association—Captain J. F. Foulkes, Ottawa.

The president of the Maritime province Athletic association and George Tracey, of Halifax.

Geo. F. Galt, Winnipeg.

J. H. Senkler, K C., Vancouver.

E. C. St. Pierre and J. A. Mercier, Montreal.

The Inter-Collegiate Rugby Football Union has also been asked to appoint two representatives, and there may be some other additions. The first meeting of the committee will be held in Ottawa next Saturday.

CLEVER ENGLISH BOXER WILL CROSS THE OCEAN

Driscoll's Anxiety to Meet Robson is Only Thing to Prevent

Philadelphia, February 18.—Mail advices from London say that Jim Driscoll, the recognized champion featherweight of the British Isles, is in a dilemma. He was visited at his home in Cardiff by an emissary from the National Sporting Club of Philadelphia, so says the current mail, with seductive overtures to visit the United States.

The representative of the Quaker City club offered Driscoll three matches, with a guarantee of $2,500, and even went so far as to agree to take the English fighter back to America with him. Now here is Driscoll's dilemma. He had already promised the National Sporting Club of London to meet the best man Bettingson, the club manager, could secure to fight for the feather-weight championship of Great Britain. Spike Robson, since his return to the old country, has been quite gallus.

His in-and-out success in this city inflated his cranium. He claims to have driven Summers out of England and was just getting ready to place the same stigma on Driscoll. The latter anticipated the act and asked the London club to secure Robson as his opponent. Now the sports say that Robson is in for a beating next month.

This turn of affairs was not expected by the Philadelphia representative, as he had planned to bring Robson and Driscoll back to this country. We know nothing of Driscoll in this country excepting his record. He beat Jim Bowker twice and drove Owen Moran out of the country, and from what is known of Bowker, and what we have seen of Moran, that is a pretty good recommendation. The sports of this country have little time for a defeated pugilist—John L. Sullivan being the one great exception.

If Robson goes under next month in his bout with Driscoll, the Cardiff man will be the magnet. Now, here is where Driscoll's peace of mind has been further disturbed. His brother-in-law, G. Wiltshire, of Aintree, Liverpool, was in this city during the holidays buying horses to race in Austria. Wiltshire had a commission from Driscoll to pave the way for an American trip. Wiltshire got in right while he was here and made preliminary arrangements for his brother-in-law to visit the States.

Wiltshire was very particular to impress on the Philadelphia clubmen that Driscoll was a distinct type of the English boxer. "He is really a pocket edition of Charley Mitchell," said the Liverpool light harness reinsman, "and his equal with the gloves does not exist in all Europe.

"With all his ability with the mitts he dislikes the frequenters of the public houses, and whenever he goes down to London you can always find him the guest on some prominent clubman's estate. He will be a revelation to the American lovers of boxing if he decides to take the trip."

OLYMPIC GAMES TROUBLE

Americans Will File Protest If Longboat is Member of Canadian Team

New York, Feb. 18.—There seems to be every prospect of trouble between Canada and the United States over the Olympic games in London next year.

It is now said that the Dominion government expects to appropriate $30,000 to send an athletic team to take part in the games, and it is further said that Tom Longboat, the Indian distance runner, will surely be a member of the team. There is no doubt that the Americans will promptly file a protest against Longboat, as he is under suspension by the Amateur Athletic union on charges of professionalism, and if he were to compete no American athlete would be allowed to take part in any event in which he was entered, including the Marathon race, the greatest contest of the meeting.

It is said that in an extreme case the entire American team might even be withdrawn from the games, although this is not considered likely.

BASEBALL RECORDS FOR BASEBALL FANS

Team Selected Giving Premier Player in Each Position for Thirty-Seven Years Place

Baseball "dope" covtring the professional game from its beginning in 1871 to the present time is contained in Spalding's most recent publication, entitled 'Baseball Record." Thert are 250 pages of diamond lore, covering the great American game, statistically, from every standpoint. One of the most interesting features is the picking of all-American teams from the National league.

The premier player in each position is given for each of the 37 years, and an all-American team named for each five-year period of baseball. The man is picked for each position who has the highest combined fielding and batting average, and by a similar system a grand all-American team is chosen for the whole period. Only two men who are prominent players now are on the team of honor. It is:

Position. Player. Club.	Year.	Games.	Won.	F. A.	B. A.	Total.
Pitcher—A. G. Spalding, Boston	1875	63	.899	.858	.318	2.075
Catcher—John Kling, Chicago	1906	96	....	.982	.312	1.294
First base—A. C. Anson, Chicago	1881	83	....	.975	.399	1.374
Second base—Ross Barnes, Boston	1873	60	....	.865	.453	1.318
Third base—H. Steinfeldt, Chicago	1906	150	....	.954	.327	1.281
Shortstop—H. Jennings, Baltimore	1895	131	....	.943	.386	1.320
Left field—J. J. Kelley, Baltimore	1894	129	....	.951	.391	1.342
Center field—Hugh Duffy, Boston	1893	134	....	.953	.378	1.336
Right field—W. Keeler, Baltimore	1896	127	....	.973	.392	1.365
Total averages			.899	.940	.373	1.413

Willie Keeler is really entitled to both center and right field positions, as he holds the record in each position. He made the center field record with the Brooklyn team in 1899, but as his right field record with Baltimore in 1896 is higher, Duffy, of Boston, is given centerfield. A peculiar feature of the team is that the whole nine comes from Chicago, Boston and Baltimore, with three each for each club.

The Pittsburg club, which won the National league championship in 1901-2 and 3, has seven men on the all-American for the first five years of the present century and New York has the other two. They are: Pitcher, C. Matthewson, New York; catcher, R. Bresnahan, New York; first base, W. E. Bransfield; second base, C. C. Ritchey; third base, T. Leach; shortstop, J. Wogner, and fielders, Fred Clarke, C. H. Beaumont and J. Wagner, all of Pittsburg.

The first premier first baseman of the game was C. A. McVey, now a San Francisco policeman. He played with Boston from 1871 to 1875, and with Chicago for sevtral years. He was a San Francisco boy, and after his major league career, returned to the Bay City, where he is now the ground officer at Recreation Park.

Henry Chadwick, now nearly 84 years old, is known as the "father of baseball." He is now living in New York, where he has resided since coming from England, in 1837. He has been a journalist most of his life. He is the youngest brother of the late Sir Edwin Chadwick and was born in Exeter, England, October 5, 1824.

Mr. Wm. Redmond, M. P., recently delivered a lecture at the Irish College in Rome on the progress of Catholicism in the political life of Australia.

Y.M.C.A RUN UP BIG SCORE IN BASKETBALL

Everett Goes Down to Defeat in International League Game

The local Y. M. C. A. basketball team last night in their match with the fast Everett team, in their scheduled game in the international league series in the Assembly roller rink, gave one of the snappiest exhibitions of the great indoor game that has been seen here. Not only did the crack local bunch roll up the big score of 48 points to 16, against their opponents, but they came within an ace of smashing the record for the highest number of points scored by any one team during the series, but one of their members, Bob Whyte, broke his own record for high individual scoring of any member of any team in the league by work that throughout the entire match can only be considered as marvellous.

The local team showed the best class that they have at any time during this season, and the railbirds were of the opinion that if this form had been displayed earlier in the season that the team would now have been fighting it out for the premier position instead of being where they are at present. The members of the team individually have all the qualifications that go to the making of first-class basketball players. Each and every man plays his position to a nicety, all are fast and unselfish, check hard but fairly, and are on the job all of the time. As to the matter of weight, most of the players are heavy enough to hold their own in body work with any of the other teams, and not too heavy to be clumsy. If Physical Instructor Findlay gets his team into the excellent condition at the early part of next season that he has them now it will be a different story that will be told, not only at the end of the season, but when the team are away from home.

A large crowd witnessed the game last night, and although the visitors were outclassed from the first, they put up a plucky fight from the start, and the good plays on both sides were liberally applauded by the spectators. The floor was in excellent condition, the game was free from rough work, and the referee, A. G. Douthett, physical instructor of the Y. M. C. A., Seattle, did his work in a manner that was highly commendable. In fact, the referee was one of the best that has been seen here this year, and it is a matter for regret that there are not more officials in the league as good as is Mr. Douthett.

The visitors fell down badly in attempting a short passing game, and these tactics were either blocked by the locals or met disaster through their wildness. Their shooting for the net was very poor, but this is perhaps accounted for by the fact that the locals very seldom gave them an opportunity to shoot without attempting to block. A feature of the locals' play was the tenacity with which they checked, and there was no let up, either in this regard, or in their attack, until the last few minutes of play, when they appeared careless. If they had stuck to it till the whistle blew, it is probable that there would have been two instead of one record being credited to last night's winning team, and that the record of 52, which now holds, would have gone by the board.

All of the team figured in assisting to roll up the big procession of goals that were made, the brilliant performers in this regard being Whyte and Peden, the latter beating the former out in the first half by a single point, 10-9, while in the second half Whyte scored 16, Peden 6, their respective scores being Whyte 24, Peden 16. McKittrick and Roskamp scored 4 each. Victoria can justly lay claim to having the greatest goal getter in the league in the person of Bob Whyte, and he now easily stands at the top of the ladder, and in a class by himself in this regard over all other possible basket net locators, when it is considered that his work throughout the season has been most consistent, at and away from home, together with the fact that he is unselfish with the ball this fact is emphasized. On many occasions last night he could have probably found the net himself, but seeing a man in a better position than himself to shoot he would pass the sphere. A one-night playing score of 24 points will probably stand as a mark for some time.

In the first half the forwards of the locals started the first attacks and the shot from Bob Whyte was blocked. Everett defence showed that they could check hard, but in spite of this the Y. M. C. A. had a series of tries but the shooting of the locals was of the poorest possible kind. Everett by a pretty rush had a chance to score but failed, and the locals brought the ball back and again shot every place but into the net. Peden however drew first blood for the locals by netting the sphere and a moment later Roskamp added another for the Y. M C. A. The play was very clean and the referee had no trouble with any of the players. Victoria was guilty of the first foul for hugging. McKitrick scored shortly after this after the ball had been prettily handled by the entire Y. M. C. A. team. Peden again located the net from a free throw and a few moments later started on his big scoring sheet by adding another for the Y. M. C. A. The play during all of the time was in the vicinity of the Everett goal but the visitors wakened up to do a clever long combination run down the floor. Whyte again scored and added his second, he repeated this performance a short time later from directly under the net. Everett had little chance to get going at this stage of the play, the only man on their team who seemed to be in the game to any great extent was Challocombe, who played a star game throughout. Peden was credited with the next from a pretty side shot On a foul by Roskamp Everett's free throw missed the net by inches. Everett pressed and scored two in quick succession, Challocombe the first on a nice overhand pass and Robinson an easy one from in front. Everett continued aggressive and kept the ball in the locals territory. Play was transferred and McKittrick netted after a speedy combination the length of the floor. Robinson on a free throw scored the next for Everett and a moment later the crowd cheered Challocombe for again locating the basket, after some really fine work by the visitors. Y. M. C. A. electrified the crowd by one of the finest and fastest passing combinations of the evening which resulted in Whyte scoring a doubleheader. The locals were doing great work around the net, but McKitrick fouled and Everett on the free shot went over the net. Everett's shooting was very wild at this stage. The half ended just as Peden had secured a double Score, Victoria 25, Everett 7.

The locals opened up the second half in fast basketball and Peden fouled. The free throw was missed by inches and Whyte scored the first in the second half easily. The Everett defence appeared listless and fumbles from passes were numerous. Whyte was playing in grand form and the whole local team were keeping the ball in the visitor's end. The visitors only got the ball down to the locals' end in long relieving throws and it invariably came back in short order. Whyte again scored after a nice combination. The Everett team were being checked hard and their passing was very poor. Whyte again from a pivot in the air netted the ball and duplicated the performance shortly afterwards. The play until the finish of the half was all in favor of the locals, the only relieving feature being the plucky egorts of Challocombe which were successful on a couple of occasions. The teams lined up as follows:

Y.M.C.A.		Everett
McKitrick	guards	Lee
Roskamp		Lingreer
Gawley	centre	Clarke
Whyte	forwards	Robinson
Peden		Challoncombe

Referee, A. G. Douthitt.

VANCOUVER TEAM ARRIVES

Six Canadian Bowlers Reach Cincinnati After Three Thousand Mile Jaunt

Cincinnati, Ohio. Feb. 18.—All the way from Vancouver, B. C., a jaunt of 3,000 miles, came six bowlers who arrived in Cincinnati today to take part in the tournament. The party includes H. P. Maskill, R. H. Cliburn, H. K. Sharples, J. M. Hodgins, A. L. South and W. D. Lukens. The following were the high scores in the fifth shift of two-men teams: Wolf and Vanderstunk, St. Paul, 1,178; Huster and Schererk, Erie, Pa., 1,153; Koster and Koster, Erie, Pa., 1,140.

The following are the high scores on the second third shifts of the individual events: A. Wingler, Chicago, 699; W. Pollack, Buffalo, 668; K. Koster, Erie, Pa., 601; J. G. Floss, Buffalo, 581

NATIONAL AMATEUR TEAMS

Second Round in National Amateur Race Was Concluded Yesterday

Boston, Mass., Feb. 18.—The second round of the National Amateur race, which began yesterday on the courts of the Tennis and Raceque, was concluded today. The summary:

Q. A. Show, Jr., of Boston, defeated W. E. Burden, of New York, 7-15, 17-14, 15-2, 15-9.

R. Bolston, of Boston, defeated W. Stackpole, of New York, 15-11, 15.11, 15-10.

H. F. McCormack, of Chicago, defeated M. C. Clark, Jr., of New York, 10-15, 15-8, 12-15.

Daughton, of Boston, defeated O. W. Bird, of New York, 18-15, 13-3, 15-9.

Lawrence Waterbury of New York defeated R. Grant, of Boston, 15-2, 15-5, 15-8.

H. D. Scott, of Boston, defeated Mr. Hewitt, of New York, 13-15, 15-3, 15-2.

C. P. R. TRAIN WRECK

Eastbound Express Derailed—Japanese Porter Killed and Many Passengers Injured

Shapleau, Ont. Feb. 18 —Last night the steel flange of a wheel of the mail car broke and derailed some coaches on the eastbound overland transcontinental express, seventeen miles west of Chapleau.

The colonist car, tourist car and first class coach were overturned.

A Japanese car attendant was killed and several passengers injured. Brakeman Morgan was also injured.

The injured are: A. C. Payne, Bristol, England, head cut; Mrs. A. C. Payne, Bristol, Eng., hand smashed and internally injured; Margaret Campbell, Carleton Junction, legs bruised; J B. Richardson, Markham, Ont., head bruised; C. B. Humphreys, Almonte, Ont., slightly injured; W. J. Hunter, Gladstone, slightly bruised; John Cainor, address unknown, arms cut; Fred Orville, Rocanville, Sask., injured internally; W. Hummell, Yorkshire, Eng., face cut; W. Norank, Chelsea, Mass, nose broken; J. Morgan, Chapleau, bruised and injured internally; W. O. Rudd, Toronto, slightly bruised

Hamilton Moulders' Wages

Hamilton, Feb. 18.—A majority of the moulders employed in local stove foundries have been out of work for some time, and are likely to remain idle unless they consent to a reduction in wages. The foundries claim they cannot compete with other cities. Since 1904 moulders' wages have increased about 17 per cent and the foundries want the men to return to the 1904 scale.

A Brute's Sentence

Toronto, Feb. 18.—Joseph Leaken, a Hungarian, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment and twenty lashes for assault upon a 5-year-old girl.

Regina's Assessment

Regina, Sask., Feb. 18.—The assessment of the city of Regina for 1908 will show an increase over 1907 of a million and a quarter, bringing the total for this year up to $12,500,000. There will be 310 more buildings to assess this year than last year, and 1,000,000 feet additional floor space to measure.

Mutual Reserve Policy Holders

Toronto, Feb. 18.—An order was made this morning for the winding up of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance company of New York. The order was necessary for the protection of Canadian policy holders. Negotiations are on foot for the reinsurance of all Canadian policy holders in a substantial Canadian company.

Lord Ranfurly at Ottawa.

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—The Earl of Ranfurly, who was governor and commander-in-chief in New Zealand from 1897 to 1904, and lord-in-waiting to the late Queen Victoria from 1895 to 1897, arrived in Ottawa last night, and will be the guest of Earl Grey for a few days.

Salvation Army Immigrants.

Winnipeg, Feb. 18.—Adjutant McCray, of the Salvation army has left for the West, where he will receive applications from persons desiring to employ the army immigrants who arrive this spring. The first contingent is expected about the 5th of March, and while lots of these will go through to British Columbia, many will remain at Calgary and Edmonton, where they will be distributed among neighboring farmers.

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On the Waterfront

CAMOSUN STARTS A FAST SERVICE

Union Company's Steamer Leaves Each Wednesday For Prince Rupert

SMALL VESSELS CONNECT

When Cariboo Arrives From Clyde Two Trips Will Be Made Weekly

The steamer Camosun, of the Union Steamship company, which left the outer dock last night, after being repaired and overhauled at the Victoria Machinery depot, commenced a new express service to Prince Rupert, which will allow of a five-day round trip to the future northern terminus. The Camosun will leave the outer dock at Victoria every Wednesday at 9 p. m. and Vancouver each Thursday afternoon for Prince Rupert, where the steamers Capilano and Coquitlam will connect each Sunday, alternating, to carry passengers and freight booked for points beyond, including Naas, Rivers Inlet and other ports.

This express service established by the Union Steamship company will on arrival of the steamer Cariboo, which will shortly leave the Clyde, where she was built by the Ailsa shipyards, be improved, and the Camosun and Cariboo will alternate in a twice-a-week service, one steamer leaving here on Wednesday night, the other on Saturday night.

The larger steamers, the Camosun and Cariboo, will call only at Alert bay, Swanson bay, Hartley bay, Claxton, Port Essington and Port Simpson en route to Prince Rupert. The Capilano and Coquitlam will leave Vancouver each alternate Tuesday, and will reach Prince Rupert on Sunday in time to meet the Camosun or Cariboo to carry the passengers and freight for points beyond.

TOSA MARU IS DUE WITH MANY JAPANESE

Arrival of N. Y. K. Liner Will Result In Enforcement of New Immigration Law

The steamer Tosa Maru of the Nippon Yusen kaisha line, which is due from the Orient, has on board 88 steerage passengers, mostly Japanese, who are booked for Victoria. When she arrives the immigration act recently passed by the British Columbia legislature will be enforced in Victoria for the first time. L. S. Eaton, special immigration officer of the provincial government, has been instructed to apply the provisions of the new act, which provides that all immigrants who cannot read and write English, or a language of Europe, will be refused landing, and an interesting test is looked forward to. If the Japanese are refused landing by the provincial official and given permission to land by the Dominion officer, Dr. Milne, who is reported to have informed the steamship agents that he will not order the deportation of the passengers unless it be found necessary to do so under the federal immigration laws, some interesting developments are possible.

The steamers Ningchow and Monteagle are following close behind the Japanese liner, and both are bringing Oriental steerage passengers, who will have to pass the educational test as provided by the British Columbia Immigration act before they are permitted to land. The Ningchow, which is bringing 800 tons of general freight for local merchants, mostly from Liverpool, has 15 or 20 Japanese passengers from Yokohama, booked to this port. The Ningchow is due tomorrow or the following day, and the steamer Monteagle, of the C. P. R., which left Yokohama February 8, is due on Friday or Saturday. The latter has 50 saloon passengers and 238 steerage, all the latter except 17 Chinese being Japanese. It is improbable that the enforcement of the new immigration regulations will be made here with regard to the Monteagle, for all her steerage passengers are reported to be booked to Vancouver.

INDRAVELLI GOING TO GRAY'S HARBOR

Expected to Leave Tomorrow to Load Two Million Feet of Lumber As Part Cargo

The steamer Indravelli, which came here in November to start a time charter for the Alley line in the Canadian-New Zealand service, and was brought to Esquimalt, where she has since been, after being salved by the British Columbia Salvage company from Kellett bluff, where she struck and crumpled in her bow, will leave tomorrow or the following day for Gray's harbor to load 2,000,000 feet of lumber for Wellington, New Zealand. The Indravelli is scheduled to sail from Vancouver and this port April 10 for New Zealand and Australia, and was to have waited at Esquimalt until cargo was ready for her. The Alley line, however, made a charter to carry the big shipment of lumber from Gray's harbor, and the Indravelli will without delay take on the cargo for Wellington, which will net the steamer approximately $16,000 in freight, the lumber being carried at the rate of 30 shillings per thousand feet. After completing loading lumber at Gray's harbor the Indravelli will come north to load at Vancouver, Victoria and British Columbia mills, and it is expected that she will have a very large cargo for the Antipodes when she sails on April 10.

The Indravelli will miss one round trip on account of her recent accident. As will be remembered, the steamer was bound from Shimonoseki to Vancouver and her master, not being informed regarding quarantine arrangements, and that pilots could be secured here, passed on into the gulf in a dense fog, bringing up his steamer with a crash against the sheer cliff at Kellett bluff. The steamer Salvor was immediately sent from Esquimalt, and in a few days succeeded in floating the steamer and bringing her to Esquimalt for repairs. The contract for the work was awarded to the British Columbia Marine Railway company for $43,500, and a large sum of salvage money was earned by the Salvor in addition.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

Special to the Colonist

Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, wind east, 18 miles an hour.

Tatoosh, noon—Wind northeast, 8 miles an hour.

By Wireless

Tatoosh, 9 a.m.—Cloudy, wind east, 18 miles. Barometer 30.29, temperature 43. Outside, bound in, a four-masted schooner.

Port Crescent, 9 a.m.—Passed in at 7:20 a.m., a freight steamer.

Pachena, 9 a.m.—Cloudy, wind east. No shipping.

Tatoosh, 9 a.m.—Morning forecast, Straits and Coast, moderate easterly breeze, rain.

Tatoosh, 2 p.m.—Light rain, wind northeast, 8 miles an hour. Barometer 30.20; temperature 45. Passed in, schooner Borealis at 10.10 a.m.

Estevan, 2 p.m.—Cloudy, wind northeast. Sea rough. Three-masted schooner passed out at 8 a.m.

Pachena, 2 p.m.—Raining, wind southeast. No shipping.

Tatoosh 6 p.m.—Light rain, wind east, 4 miles. Barometer 30.18; temp. 44. No shipping.

Pachena, 6 p.m.—Raining, wind east. No shipping

Carmanah, 6 p. m. — Calm, Clouds; sea smooth. Baro. 30.10.

Cape Beale, 6 p.m.—North wind, rain; sea smooth.

WILLISDEN'S LONG TRIP IN BALLAST

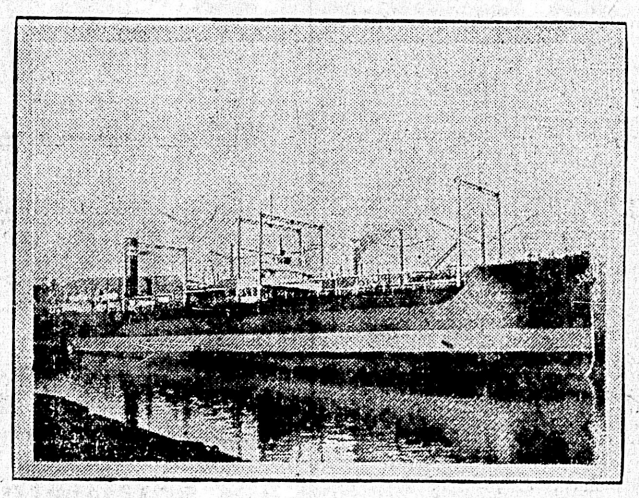
Steamer Travels 9,400 miles Without Cargo—Glut of Coal

A voyage of 9,400 miles in ballast does not indicate extensive profits for a steam freighter, but it is what the steamer Willisden, of the Watts Watts line of freighters has just started away from Victoria upon. The Willisden came here in ballast from Guaymas, Mexico, and proceeded to Comox to load bunker coal. She then came to Esquimalt and loaded stores for a voyage in ballast to Newcastle, N.S W., about 7,200 miles away. The Willisden is bound to the Australian coal port for another cargo of coal, probably for San Francisco, unless the unfortunate charterers do not, as has been done in several instances recently, pay the steamer's owners a bonus to cancel the charter.

The arrivals of cargoes of Australian coal at San Francisco during the past few months have been so far in excess of the demand that a strange situation has arisen. Every available bunker and warehouse has been filled with Australian coal, and steamers and ships which were tied up have been chartered for use as floating warehouses, in order to save the owners of the cargoes from further expense for demurrage. Most of the coal-carriers arrising at the Golden Gate have been on demurrage, which at approximately from $200 to $300 per day for an average sized steam freighter makes the coal expensive. A number of steamers are delayed at present owing to the glut, and the steamer Yeddo, of the Australian Mail line, operated by Andrew Weir & Co., was obliged to cancel her freight at Puget Sound and British Columbia ports being unable to come north owing to the delay in unloading which prevented her from keeping her schedule.

The coal shortage of last year, it seems, induced a number of people to speculate by buying large amounts of Australian coal, thinking, with a possible recurrence of the shortage of last winter, to secure high prices for the imported fuel. There was no shortage this winter, however, with the result that the market was glutted, and coal which cost the buyers $8 per ton to land at San Francisco is being sold there for $6 per ton. Considerable money has been lost by the speculators, and a few days ago fearing further losses one firm engaged in the business paid a steamer $2,400 to cancel a charter to load coal for San Francisco at Newcastle.

In consequence of the over supply at the Golden Gate, efforts are being made to have steamers bunker at that port instead of coming north as usual to load at the Vancouver island collieries. The situation has had a bad effect on the sales of the local mines, which have fallen off to a great extent, and some of the colliers have been tied up in consequence.



THE TRUNK STEAMER THOR

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TRUNK STEAMER THOR ONE OF YEAR'S TYPES

New Collier For Nanaimo-San Francisco Trade Ready For Business

The steam collier Thor, which was specially designed by Messrs. Ropner & Sons, of Stockton on Tees, the well known British shipbuilders, for W. Wilhelmsen & Sons of Tonsberg, under the superintendency of Capt. Egenes, for a long time master of the steamer Titania in the coal trade between Nanaimo and San Francisco, is expected to leave San Francisco within the next few days for Victoria and Nanaimo, to enter the service of the Western Fuel company on a long time charter. The Thor brought coal from Newport News for San Francisco and was delayed, with many other colliers, at the Bay city, owing to the fact that all available bunker space was filled.

The Thor is considered one of the types of last season's shipbuilding. In an article on the year's shipbuilding, Syren and Shipping says: "Messrs. Ropner & Sons, Ltd., of Stockton-on-Tees, whose trunk type of cargo steamers is well known in the shipping world, are what may be called specialists. At this time of day it is necessary to describe in detail the features of their specialty. The vessel, for owners in Norway, which is depicted externally and internally, is an excellent example, and it illustrates the tendency in cargo steamer design better than any number of pages of descriptive matter could. The vessels are not good to look upon. It is quite unnecessary to tell our readers, however, that it is not good-looking vessels shipowners desire. What they want are soundly designed, well built craft, which will give a maximum of profit on a minimum of capital. Clear holds, with big hatches, and a plentitude of deck gear for rapidly handling cargoes, are the prominent features of these designs, thought a quality of which the shipowner probably thinks more is their ability to carry large deadweight cargoes on phenomenally small dimensions. The trunk steamer, the turret steamer and the cantilever steamer have been potent factors in the displacement of the windjammer. More than that, to the further development of the idea which is embodied in them must we look for the cheapening of the world's trade."

A description of the Thor appeared in these columns some days ago. She carries 7,200 tons of freight, and will be used to carry coal from Nanaimo to San Francisco.

THREE LINERS LEAVE FOR THE FAR EAST

Kaga Maru and Empress of India Leave—Bellerophon Sails From Outer Dock Today

The steamer Kaga Maru, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line, Capt. G. S. Lapraik, left the outer dock yesterday with a full cargo of general freight for the Orient, and a fair complement of passengers. Among those who embarked here were K. Morikawa, the retiring Japanese consul at Vancouver, his wife and family, and three other Japanese passengers. The steerage passengers included nine Japanese who were deported, one from this city. Four castaways, survivors of the Japanese fishing schooner Satsuma Maru, which was wrecked in Alaskan waters, were also sent home. Capt. Fujii, master of the wrecked schooner, remained at Seattle to organize an expedition to aid those left on the Alaskan coast. The Japanese consul at Seattle is arranging to despatch a vessel from Juneau for the men.

The R. M. S. Empress of India of the C. P. R. leaves early this morning from the outer dock for the far east, with a fair complement of passengers and about 1,800 tons of general freight, including flour and general cargo. One saloon passenger, Lieut. H. B. Douglas, a naval officer from Esquimalt, embarked here on a trip to Hongkong.

The Blue Funnel line steamer Bellerophon, Capt. Bartlett, is expected to arrive at the outer wharf today from Tacoma to load 8,000 cases of salmon, brought from the northern canneries by the Amur, and some general cargo, for Liverpool. The steamer has a large cargo from the Sound, the largest shipments being lumber, cotton and flour.

The steamer Kumeric, of the Weir line, left Hongkong February 15, according to advices received here, and is due at the outer dock about March 13. The steamer Tango Maru, of the N. Y. K. line, left Hongkong yesterday for this port and the steamer Shinano Maru leaves Yokohama today for Victoria. The R. M. S. Empress of Japan was at Kobe yesterday and is scheduled to leave Yokohama tomorrow for this port.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF CHARTER MARKET

Grain Chartering Continues Dull—More Activity in the Lumber Trade

Chartering of vessels for grain remains very quiet, with the rate still hovering around the union figure of 27s 6d, Northern loading; 26s 3d was done some time ago, but has not since been repeated, says the San Francisco Commercial. Judging from reports from the North there is some little difficulty in getting the grain, which may account for the slow business, although there is still a good supply available for export, according to crop figures. There has been no change in the rate of $3.25, steam, from the North to Japan.

Lumber chartering, off shore, has been slightly more active. The steamer Indravelli, repairing at Victoria, has been taken to load on Grays Harbor for Sydney at 30s, finishing cargo at Vancouver. Grays Harbor to Wellington has been done at 35s, and Puget Sound to Callao at 45s. The demand from the Orient continues dull. For U. K. a little business has been done on the basis of 40s 9d, loading at this port. One vessel arrived under charter for Northern loading to Rotterdam direct at 68s 9d.

Offshore rates are quoted approximately as follows:

Lumber from Puget Sound or British Columbia to Sydney, 27s 6d; to Melbourne or Adtlaide, 35s@37s 6d; to Port Pirie, 30s 6d@35s; to Fremantle, 38s@40s; to Japanese ports (steamers) 36s 3d, (sail) 35s 6d; to direct nitrate port, 45s@46s 3d; Valparaiso for orders, 47s 6d@50s, 2s 6d less to a direct port; to South African port, 53s 6d@56s 3d; to U. K. or Continent, 63s 9d@70s; Guaymas, $5.75.

Coastwise lumber freights continue dull and nominal.

Mail advices from Liverpool under date of February 1 say: Antwerp to San Francisco done at 25s, general, with 500-ton rails. Australian wheat and West Coast nitrate freights dull.

PRINCESS MAY RETURNS FROM THE LYNN CANAL

C. P. R. Skagway Liner Brings Many Northerners Among Passengers From Alaska

The steamer Princess May, of the C. P. R., reached port yesterday from Skagway, Juneau, Ketchikan and other ports of call of Alaska and northern British Columbia, with 53 passengers, after a favorable trip, good weather being experienced throughout. It is understood the steamer will be tied up to undergo an overhauling and the steamer Princess Beatrice will take the next trip to Skagway, leaving here tomorrow night.

Among the passengers of the Princess May were a number of well known northerners. Capt. Sanborn, commodore of the White Pass & Yukon route's Yukon river fleet, who has command of the steamer White Horse during the season of navigation; Barney J. McGee, proprietor of the Commercial hotel at White Horse; E. H. Jacobs, manager of the Sulzer mines, and wife, were among the arrivals from the further north, while there were also a number of travelers from Prince Rupert, Port Essington and northern British Columbia ports. G. D. Hall and Owen Callahan, who have been engaged in the landscape gardening scheme for Prince Rupert; Mr. and Mrs. Targett, who ran a unique hotel at Prince Rupert, the tied-up river steamer Caledonia; J. J. Sloan, of the North Coast Commercial company at Port Essington; Capt. J. Jenner, of Prince Rupert, who recently sold the little tug Rustler for local work at the northern port; C. Lord, the well known northern canneryman; A. J. Livingston, of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Dawson, who has been transferred to the Victoria branch, his place at the Yukon capital being taken by Robert W. Service; Mrs. Feckhardt, wife of a trader at White Horse; Harry Berryman, of Port Simpson; J. M. McDonald, of Port Essington, formerly of Victoria, and others.

Moses B. Cotsworth, an English scientist, who has been making some explorations of northern glaciers, was a passenger from Skagway.

Other arrivals by the steamer were: Mr. McLae, Mrs. W. S. Laughton, A. B. Palmer, Mr. Harris, M. F. Howe, Mrs. Horne, Dorothy Horne, Mary Wayane, H. S. Trihh, O. H. Adsit, Mrs. H. Althouse, W. Gould, Henry Johnson, Sam Englesland, Rasin Merserian, J. Olask, V. Sight, Edward McGrath, C. Nelson, J. Morrison, H. Newcomb, Mr. Darb, Capt. Sanborn, Mrs. Short, N. Demers, L. B. Cootes, W. Doyle, oDnald Todd, F. Britt, T. Dunn, J. Thomas, R. E. Cather, Samuel Allen, T. L. Rowford, B. Jordan, R. Duncan, W. J. McKay and George Sutton.

ROSALIE WILL RUN FOR TWO MONTHS

Chippewa Will Not Return to Route Until May—Joshua Green's Statements at Los Angeles

The steamer Rosalie, which replaced the steamer Chippewa on the Victoria-Seattle route for the Alaska Steamship company, coincident with the reduction of the fare to fifty cents, will be continued on the route until May 1, according to a recent announcement made by the Alaska Steamship company, when it is expected the Chippewa will return. The Rosalie formerly ran to Port Angeles and straits ports and she has been replaced on that route by the steamer Whatcom, formerly the Majestic.

The withdrawal of the Rosalie from the former service and the placing of the Whatcom on the route was the occasion of celebration at Port Angeles, where Joshua Green, manager of the steamship company, and Assistant Manager Coker went to meet the Commercial club at the port across the straits, which is seeking to secure direct communication with Victoria. The Port Angeles Tribune Times says:

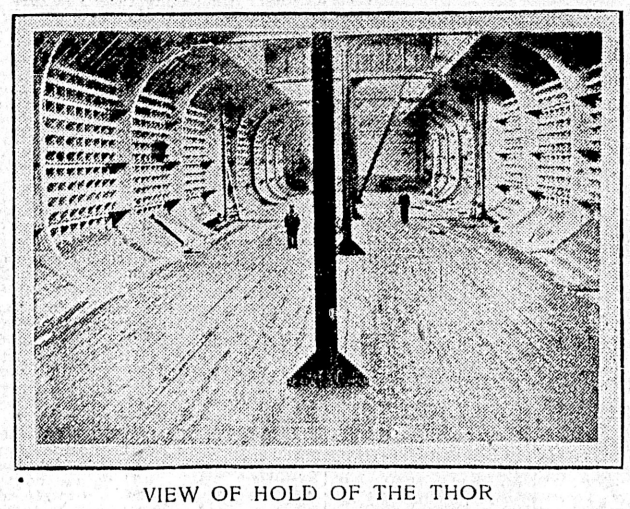
In his remarks to the club, Mr. Green said that, while in the main the assurances given him by the business men of the town that the new service would be appreciated and patronized was satisfactory to his company, there were some dealers who had not promised to give the steamer their business, but that his company was willing to take a chance, expecting soon the unanimous support of the business community, without which a service such as proposed could not be made profitable to the steamship company. Mr. Green stated further that at the time the Whatcom was withdrawn from the run she was losing money heavily every day, and that the company would expect to do a losing business for the next month or more, but that they hoped to make it up in the summer travel. As to the desired Victoria connection, Mr. Green said he could not promise it right now, as it could not be made to pay during the winter months but that, with the return of summer he thought it could be made to pay and that it would then be established.

The Rosalie, which goes off the run, will succeed the Chippewa on the Seattle-Townsend-Victoria route from now until the first of May, when it is expected that the Chippewa will be put back. A fifty cent fare one way between all points on that run is announced.

SEALING SCHOONER PESCAWHA COMING

Sealer Bound to Victoria Shipped Catch of 700 Pelts From Montevideo

The sealing schooner Pescawha, owned by Capt. J. W. Peppett of this city, which has been hunting seals off the Argentine coast and in the vicinity of Cape Horn, put into Montevideo about the end of January, according to advices just received by her owner, and landed over 700 sealskins for shipment to England. The Pescawha was given orders when at Montevideo to proceed to Victoria to join the Bering sea sealing fleet. Owing to the high wages demanded by the Indians, wages higher than the sealers can pay with profit, it was undecided whether the original orders for the schooner to come to Victoria would be carried out; but Capt. Peppitt ultimately decided that they should, and the Pescawha will round the Cape and come to this port in the wake of the United States armada.



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MOVEMENT OF VESSELS

Steamers to Arrive.

From the Orient.

Vessel.	From.	Due.
Ning Chow		Feb. 19
Kumeric		Feb. 29
Tosa Maru		Feb. 20
Monteagle		Feb. 22
Empress of Japan		Mar. 1
Empress of China		Mar. 30
From Australia.		
Moana		Mar. 12
Marama		April 9
Aorangi		May 7
Manuka		June 4
From Mexico.		
Georgia		Feb. 20
From Liverpool.		
Ning Chow		Dec. 5
Antilochus		Jan. 4
Teucer		Feb. 2
From Skagway.		
Princess May		Feb. 19
Northern British Columbia ports		
Queen City		Mar. 5
Amur		Feb. 15
From West Coast.		
Tees		Feb. 27
From San Francisco.		
Umatilla		Feb. 23

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Line.	Date
Empress of India	Feb. 18
Kaga Maru	Feb. 19
Bellerophon	Feb. 19
Tosa Maru	Mar. 3
Monteagle	Mar. 5
For Australia.	
Aorangi	Feb. 28
Den of Ruthven	Feb. 15
For Mexico.	
Georgia	Mar. 1
For Skagway.	
Princess May	Feb.
For Northern British Columbia Ports	
Amur	Mar 1
Vadso	Feb 19
Queen City	Mar. 5
Camosan	Feb. 19
For West Coast.	
Tees C. P. R.	Feb. 20
For San Francisco.	
City of Puebla	Feb. 22
Umatilla	Feb. 29
City of Puebla	Mar. 7

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Leaves Union Bay and Comox Thursday, 7 a. m.
Arrives Nanaimo Thursday, 2 p. m.
Leaves Nanaimo Friday, 7 a. m.
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FLOWER LOVERS HOLD THEIR ANNUAL MEETING

This Year's Officers Elected And Secretary's Report Read

The Victoria Horticultural society held its seventh annual meeting in the Y. M. C. A. hall on Monday night, with a good attendance of members present. The chief business of the meeting consisted in reading the report of the secretary and the election of officers for the ensuing year. The old list was practically re-elected, the only changes being the substitution of Mrs. Flumerfelt's name for that of Major Dupont in the list of vice-presidents, and that of W. B. Gage as director in place of Dr. Hasell.

It developed during the proceedings that the prospects for a very successful year are very bright, and the annual shows promise to be even more largely patronized this year than before. There is a possibility of papers being read before the society on subjects of interest to members before the winter season is over. Considerable enthusiasm was manifested, and it is likely that a substantial increase in membership will result from the meeting. President Burton was in the chair.

The officers as elected are: Hon. president, His Honor James Dunsmuir, lieut.-governor; president, Walter F. Burton; vice-presidents, Mrs. Henry Croft, Mrs. Frank Barnard, Mrs. B. W. Pearse, Mrs. A. C. Flumerfelt, W. Fernie, F. H. Wollaston, F. B. Pemlerton; hon. treasurer, E. E. Billinghurst; secretary, James A. Bland; directors, C. H. Arundell, J. L. Russell, James Manton, P. T. James, John Sherburn, His Honour Judge Jampman, Mrs. F. Morrall, Miss L. Angus, E. A. Wallace, W. B. Gage.

The text of the annual report follows:

In presenting their sixth annual report and statement of accounts, the officers and board of directors are pleased to again be able to record with much satisfaction to themselves and also to the general members as well, the continued progress of the society.

The year 1907 will ever be memorable, to the exhibitor at least, as one of unprecedented drought, but in spite of this, together with the fact that the membership was not so large as in the previous year, the two shows held by the society were pronounced, from an exhibitor's point of view, to have been the most successful they have held.

The second annual rose show was held in the assembly rooms on June 28, and although the date was too late for most growers, still there was a large number of exhibits, and of good quality. It is a matter of satisfaction to the officers and board that this show was so well attended, and as you will see by the treasurer's statement, we were able to meet all liabilities in connection with the show out of the gate receipts alone.

The society's summer show was held in the drill hall, by the kind permission of Col. Holmes, D. O. C., August 7 and 8, and while there was not the attendance that the show merited, still it is hoped that it has laid the foundation for larger attendances in the future. While there was a slight decrease in the number of exhibits in the amateur B class, this was more than offset by the quality of the exhibits displayed there, together with the increase in the professional, open amateur and amateur C classes. It is especially gratifying to record the marked increase in the number, and improvement in quailty, of the exhibits in the amateur C class, and there is every reason to believe that this class will be more largely represented at this year's show. The entries in the dinner table decorations competition for the directors' prize and the medals offered by the society, were as large as in former years, and as usual was a great source of interest and attraction. The best thanks of the board are due to the ladies for the keen interest they have taken in this competition in the past and they express the hope that it may continue.

At the last annual meeting of the society, the question of holding a spring show in addition to the two shows that are now held was dealt with, and the matter was referred to the board of directors for their consideration. On consideration of this matter, the directors came to the conclusion that there was not at the present time sufficient encouragement to justify the holding of a third show.

The number of members enrolled during the past year was not at all encouraging. The directors believe that there are many who would become members if those who are already members would only bring their powers of persuasion to bear on them. We would like to report at the next annual meeting that the society has at least two hundred members on its roll.

The directors do not forget the debt of gratitude they owe to the ladies and gentlemen for the kind services they rendered the society on the occasion of both their shows; to the ladies and gentlemen who so patiently and well performed the arduous duties of judging; to those who made donations to the society; to the press for many kindnesses, and now beg to tender their best thanks to each and all.

BLOCKADE-RUNNER LEAVES COMMAND

Captain of the Norwegian Steamer Tungus Had Interesting Career During Recent War

Capt. C. L. Halvorsen has resigned command of the Norwegian steamer Tungus, which is loading for the Orient. His place has been taken by the mate. Captain Halvorsen will go home in her as a passenger, says a Portland dispatch.

The Tungus and Captain Halvorsen attained considerable notoriety during the Russian-Japanese war. The Tungus was one of the most noted blockade runners operating on the Siberian coast. The Japanese navy department kept a list of vessels which were giving trouble and the Tungus headed the list. It finally reached a point where the Japanese were compelled to charter the Norwegian in order to prevent her from entering the Russian ports.

She was the only vessel which reached Vladovostok at the time of the battle of Shantung promontory, August, 1904. At the same time the Russian fleet tried to effect an entrance to the harbor at Port Arthur, but was nearly destroyed by the Japanese.

The Tungus reached the straits of La Perouse at the same time as the Russian cruiser Noviq. The man-of-war set a course for the town of Korsakofsk (Saghalin), but encountered two Japanese cruisers. In the meantime the Tungus sought and found shelter in a small cove on the eastern shore of Saghalin. While the engineers were cleaning the fires and fixing up the engines for a hard run the mates and sailors busied themselves in painting the steamer from the top of the foremast to the rudder post. She was painted the same grayish color as the Japanese war vessels. During the transformation scene Captain Halvorsen enjoyed himself fishing for salmon. When night fell the chief engineer was called to the bridge and was asked: "Are you ready?"

"Yes, sir," he replied, "everything is ready in the engineroom."

"Well," responded Halvorsen, "when I signal for you to force that coffee mill of yours, just drive her for your life. If you don't it means something hot for all of us."

With all lights covered, Captain Halvorsen set his course direct for the Japanese forts, intending to run their line of patrol ships and torepdo boats. When two miles off he ordered the engines hooked on and she passed so close to the fort that a stone could be thrown ashore. Daylight found the Tungus safe in the Gulf of Tartary, and the following day she reached Vladivostok. For his bravery in running the blockade Captain Halvorsen was decorated with a gold medal by the Czar.

MARINE DECISION

Judge Hanford in Seattle Court Rules That Unsigned Seamen Get Highest Pay

Federal Judge Hanford yesterday handed down a decision in the case of Andrew Thompson against the schooner Oakland, in which he rules that a sailor who serves on a ship without signing shipping articles can draw the highest rate of pay for the time of his services, can quit the ship at any time, and that the captain has a right to discharge him at any time.

The decision is, says the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, an important one to mariners and will doubtless have the effect of causing all masters to compel all seamen to sign articles. As it works equally well against the sailor as the master, sailors will also see that papers are signed.

Andrew Thompson, the libelant in this case, hired as first mate of the schooner Oakland at Nome, and worked for several months in northern waters. His discharge was made out at Nome, but he came south with the ship to Seattle, and then entered a claim against the boat for wages in full from the beginning of service until the boat reached Seattle. He claimed that he had an oral agreement with the purser to act as first mate on the trip down. Judge Hanford's decision on this point follows:

"Seamen who work on board ships without signing shipping articles are entitled to be paid the highest going rate of wages for the time of actual service and that is the extent of their right."

Judge Hanford in the decision allows $125 pay for forty-seven days' work, which had not been paid the libelant prior to the commencement of the suit.

MUSIC AND DRAMA

"The Country Squire"

Which appears at Victoria theatre tonight is a realistic and touching comedy in three acts by James A. Kent. It will be presented by a strong

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cast and elaborate scenery. Its pathos is affecting and its myrth irresistible. It is presented with great realism both in its setting and in the action which reveals with marked clearness and force its strong plot. Mr. Willard will enact the leading role and will have entire charge of the staging of the production, which insures a careful presentation and strict attention to detail. ***

Next Monday's Show

Good plays like wine improve with age and "Forty-Five Minutes From Broadway," which Klaw & Erlanger present at the Victoria theatre Monday next, is no exception to the rule, but rather does this most successful George M. Cohan play prove even more conclusively the truth of the adage. So good, in fact, has the piece proved to be that only a few of the larger cities have been privileged to see it at all. For the others who have been impatiently awaiting the coming of the piece, it is decidedly satisfactory shows to learn that they will be able to see the piece presented with many of the original metropolitan cast in their original roles. Notably Scott Welch in his famous creation of "Kid Burns," the retired prize fighter; Miss Frances Gordon as "Plain Mary," of which there is no known or cleverer smiling comedienne on the legitimate stage today, brings to the part, which is filled with humor by that master humorist, George Cohan, a winning personality and a splendid singing voice for the better rendition of the tuneful, tinkly songs scattered throughout the piece. Her success in the part in the cities where the piece has already been presented this season has more than justified the management's selection of her for the part. ***

Paris Wireless Station Burned.

Paris, Feb. 18.—The wireless telegraph station which was erected recently alongside the Eiffel tower was burned today. The tower itself was not damaged. This station was built with the idea of long distance communication between Paris and other points, including New York.

MORE DISCUSSION OF INSURANCE BILL

Mr. Macdonald Offers Objections—Vancouver Board of Trade's Views

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—J. K. Macdonald, president of the life officers' association, and general manager of the Confederation Life, resumed discussion of the provisions of the government bill, and again repeated that the falling off in life insurance business in the state of New York was more largely due to restrictions by the New York state legislature on the cost of new business than from exposures made before the Armstrong committee of investigation.

In 1906, the year after these exposures, the business of life insurance in New York state dropped from $966,800, 000 to $567,700,000. But in 1907, long after the shock of the investigation had died away, the insurance business was only $455,700,000, and Mr. Macdonald could find no explanation for this condition outside of the restrictions of the Armstrong bill. Mr. Macdonald insisted that the annual distribution profits to insurance policy holders would be a very difficult thing to manage. In reply to Mr. Fielding, he said it could be done, but would be attended with great difficulty and danger to companies.

Continuing, Mr. Macdonald said no insurance company under existing conditions had anything to gain from the lapsation of policies. Companies did not wish to lose a single policy holder, because it cost money to get someone else in his place.

Mr. Schell, M. P. for Glengarry, cited cases where policy holders were harshly treated by companies, but Mr. Macdonald insisted that companies are reasonable in the consideration of policy holders' interests.

When the commons banking and commerce committee resumed consideration of the government insurance bill today, R. G. Macpherson, M. P. for Vancouver, presented a resolution of the Vancouver board of trade endorsing the recommendation of the Canadian Manufacturers' association, but opposing section 71, providing that all provincial fire companies must obtain Dominion licenses. Mr. Macpherson also read a number of messages from the Pacific province asking that the clause forbidding the practice of rebating be extended so as to apply to fire as well as life business.

SHIPWRECKED SAILORS TELL OF HARDSHIPS

Chief Officer Zube of Wrecked Collier Emily Reed Tells of Trip in Lifeboat

First Mate Zube, who was in charge of the boat from the wrecked ship Emily Reed, which arrived at Neah Bay after a terrible trip up the coast with two worn-out seamen and the body of the cook, who succumbed to prevations, told the following story of the experiences of the little company to an interviewer at Neah bay:

"Amost the instant the Reed struck the beach she began to break up. As she struck the spars went out of her and in twenty minutes she had broken up. We had scarcely a minute's warning of breakers before the shock came. I was forward calling all hands on deck when she struck. The crash broke her keel and the bow end of the wreck began to list dangerously. In a twinkling one of the life boats was smashed by a big wave and the decks were so deep in the boiling water that there was no chance to get aft, where Capt. Kersel and his wife, with some of the other members of the crew, were stationed.

"We had to act quickly. Abildstedt, Jahunke and the cook came tumbling out of the forecastle with scarcely any clothes on their backs. The cook joined us in a minute and we jumped into the remaining lifeboat and cut at the lashings. Before we had completed the job a big sea broke over the wreck and carried us clear. A second sea carried away a part of the galley deck roof and it struck us. It was hard work clearing the boat of the wreckage.

"A strong current swept us to the stern of the wreck, where we could see Capt. Kersel and the rest of the ship's company clinging to the roof of the after house. We yelled to them to throw us a line as we went under the stern. Some one threw a rope, but it fell short and our boat bowled on out of reach. God knows what has become of them, for there was but one small boat—not a lifeboat—on the after house.

"My arm was broken when the wreckage from the galley dropped onto us, and there was only one good oar, as the other had been broken and the spare oars washed away. We did our best to get back to the wreck but the set of the undertow carried us away. Believing all hands were lost but ourselves, we got up sail and stood out to sea.

"We tried to head for Tillamook light but we had no compass to steer by. I set the course for where I thought the light ought to be, but when morning broke I found we were standing far out to sea. As I knew the coast to be a desolate one I thought it best to keep the boat well out, hoping to fall into the path of steamships. With this hope, I set the course northward along the coast.

"The metal boat had been punctured in several places by the wreckage that fell on us and the water came in fast. There was nothing to bail with so we tried to cut off part of one of the air-tight compartments from the side of our boat with our knives. It was tedious work sawing at the tough metal and we had worn out all the blades before we could wrench a half of it off. This box we used as a bailer, sinking it into the water and emptying it over the side. It took about half an hour to get the boat empty, and in another hour we would have to do it all over again.

"The second night out, that would be Saturday night, we saw lights, but it was too dark to venture in. There was neither food nor water and we suffered terribly from thirst during Saturday. Toward evening the cook declared he could stand it no longer and took a drink of sea water. He soon became delirious and lay down in the pool of water in the bottom of the boat.

"At about 2 o'clock Sunday morning we saw a big steamer. She stopped near us and we all believed we would be saved. One of the men shook the cook awake, and, pointing to the boat, asked him if he didn't want to be saved. He got to his feet and seemed perfectly rational as he watched the steamer.

"Just then the vessel got under way again and left us. The cook gave up the fight. He lay down in the water and in a few minutes we found that his body was cold; his heart had stopped beating.

"About 7 o'clock Sunday morning we made out Tatoosh island. The wind was heading us off the island and we drifted across the straits toward Carmanah point. We were all too tired to manage the boat very well but during the afternoon I got her headed back toward Neah bay.

"Sunday seemed the worst day we were out. We kept seeing all sorts of vessels passing back and forth but none of them would answer our halls. We were generally too far off to be made out plainly, I guess."

The three survivors were in a pitiful condition. Their tongues were so swollen from thirst that they could scarcely articulate, and were carried to the sloop's deck by the Tecka's crew.

The castaways begged piteously for water, and were taken ashore. Dr. Woods, the government physician of the Indian reservation, was called, and the men were at once put to bed. So swolen were their limbs from exposure that it was necessary to cut the rubber sea boots from their legs.

UNITED STATES SHIPPING HAS SMALL PERCENTAGE

Carries But Seven Per Cent of the Country's Trade—Subsidies Are Nought

Seven per cent only of the foreign trade of the United States is done by shipping flying the country's flag. Congressman Humphreys, who is agitating for ship-subsidy bill, said: The foreign trade of this country for the year 1907 will be more than $3,000,000,000, the largest ever done by any nation in the history of the race. The balance in our favor will be more than $600,000,000, a sum never before approached on the balance sheet of nations. Of this vast commerce, the greatest the world has ever known, only about 7 per cent was carried in American ships. Our flag is disappearing from the sea. It has become but a memory in most of the ports of the world. A half million dollars per day is paid to foreign ships by this nation for carrying our commerce; 90 per cent of this great sum is paid to foreign labor for work that could be done by American labor. Today, with all our vast wealth, we have 108,000 less tons of shipping engaged in our oversea trade than we had ninety-five years ago, in the early infancy of the republic. In only one port in all the United States is there a great tonnage of our foreign trade carried in American vessels than in foreign vessels, and that port, is the port of Puget Sound.

Congressman Humphreys expects that if a bill, now pending, to increase the payment of second-class mail steamers passes there will be some new lines on the Pacific, where the bulk of the United States mail is now carried by British steamers. He said: It will give on the Pacific one line of four vessels from this country to South America; one line from San Francisco to Australia; two lines from the Pacific Coast—one from Seattle and one from San Francisco to the Orient and the Phillipines. All these lines would have to have six vessels each, and all these vessels would be new except possibly four. This would mean that we could send our mails to our own possessions in our own vessels; that we will no longer be under the disgraceful necessity of sending out mails, our diplomatic correspondence, our ammunition and even our soldiers to our own possessions, under a foreign flag. It means that we will to a large extent retain the great and rapidly developing trade of the Orient. It will prevent the complete disappearance of our flag on the Pacific. The passage of the pending bill would mean adding forty new, great, modern vessels to our merchant marine.

SPEED IS NOW BASIS OF STEAMER RATES

In Only Few Cases is Luxury of Appointments Made Consideration For Ocean Travel

Speed has been made the main basis for differention in minimum rates for first-class passenger traffic on the various vessels of the companies concerned in the recent conference in London, though in a few cases luxury of appointment has been considered. Agents in New York seemed well satisfied with the results of the conference, one of which is that the Cunard company has agreed to raise the minimum rate on the Lusitania and the Mauretinia from $115, which it was before the rate war began, to $127.50.

As summed up by the representatives of the steamship companies, the conference accomplished several important results. It restored rates to the old basis, revised differentials, decided upon a fixed minimum, about $2.50 more than the old rate on the average; abolished the 10 per cent. rebate for return tickets and divided travel into an "on" and "off" season, leaving out the "intermediates." While the minimum rates will remain unchanged from one season to the other, choice of location will be less expensive in the "off" season.

The $127.50 minimum rate covers only the Lusitania and the Mauretania. For the Kronprinzessin Cecilie and Kaiser Wilhelm II of the North German Lloyd line it is $122.50. Next price is $120 on the Kronprinz Wilhelm and the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse of the same line, and the Deutschland of the Hamburg-American line. In the next lot, at $112.50, are included the Kaiserin Auguste Victoria and the Amerika of the Hamburg-American line and the Adriatic of the White Star line. The Provence of the French line and the Oceanic of the White Star line are ranked together at $107.50, and then come the Campania and the Lucania of the Cunard line at $102.50. At the $97.50 minimum one has a choice among the Caronia and Carmania of the Cunard, the Savoie and the Lorraine of the French, the Baltic, Celtic and Cedric of the White Star line. From that price the rate scales down to $67.50, the rate charged on the Mesaba of the Atlantic Transport line.

Did Not Cash Forged Cheques.

New York, Feb. 18.—The Lincoln National bank gave out a statement today, vigorously denying published statements that it had paid forged pay cheques of the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad company, amounting to $180,000. The bank says it has received every assurance from the officials of the railroad that every cheque passing through the bank was a bona fide one.

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HEAD OF LOCAL ARMY CORPS TO BE MOVED

Capt. Traviss of the Salvation Army Here Will Be Transferred

After a year in Victoria, during which time he has made a wonderful success of army work and has brought the Salvation Army corps here to a point of efficiency and power for good which can not be excelled in any other city of the Dominion, Capt. Traviss will leave the city on March 8 next for a new station. Where he will be transferred to is not yet known.

The announcement of Capt. and Mrs. Traviss' departure from Victoria made at the army barracks last evening by Major Morris, of Vancouver, who, with Mrs. Morris and Adjutant Wakefield, came here to take part in the programme rendered last evening at the barracks to raise funds in aid of the army movement in this city.

A programme of instrumental music by the band, vocal selections and recitations was rendered as follows: Opening song, band selection; duet, Mrs. McGregor and W. Dickson; selection by the string band; recitation by Miss Sanderson; duet, Mrs. Capt. Johnson and Cornet Wright; band selection; recitation, "A Friend"; duet, Major and Mrs. Morris; club swinging, Miss Eccles; selection, String band; cornet solo, Bandmaster Dickens; concertina selection, J. Oliver.

There was a large audience of members of the local corps and friends and each number on the programme was heartily received and several encores insisted upon.

Major Morris gave a short address, speaking most hopefully of the work done by the Salvation Army in Victoria and elsewhere. He stated that at no period in the army's existence has the outlook been so hopeful nor has that organization been so strong numerically. He cited several cases where only a few months ago army corps were struggling for an existence but today these have progressed almost beyond belief and have bands of their own quite the equal of any in their several localities, as well as having gained a large following.

Major Morris stated that there was no doubt but that the work of the Salvation Army was better understood and appreciated and declared that the more salvationists were found in any locality the better that locality would surely be as the sole mission of the organization was to bless humanity. He did not claim that the army was infallible and had never made mistakes. He was conscious that mistakes had been made but he felt that the motive which prompted the efforts of the army were good, that the desire was that the world should be made better.

In concluding his address Major Morris made the announcement that Capt. and Mrs. Traviss would be saying good-bye to the local corps on March 8, and although he was not in a position to state the name of their successors yet, he would give it out that those who would succeed them and carry on the work of the army here would do so in a successful manner and would be officers of high repute. Major Morris also paid a glowing tribute to Capt. and Mrs. Traviss and stated that the progress made by the local corps had been remarkable. At the same time he predicted that the coming year would be one of the most prosperous in the history of the local corps.

Capt. and Mrs. Traviss have been in the city a little over a year, coming here from Fernie, where so successful was his mission that the entire town band was converted and now is the band of the Salvation Army corps. Capt. Traviss has the reputation of being a hard working and conscientious officer, and he has been ably seconded by his wife.

At the conclusion of the programme refreshments were served in abundance and a pleasant hour spent in social intercourse. Frequent references were made to the departure of Capt. and Mrs. Traviss, who are greatly esteemed by the members of the Victoria corps.

Home Bank at London.

London, Ont., Feb. 18.—The Home bank has opened an agency and will occupy the quarters of the defunct Sovereign bank Most of the local staff of the latter bank have been engaged.

Against Vaccination.

Brockville, Ont., Feb. 18.—An anti-vaccination organization was formed here tonight at a meeting of about 200 citizens. It was proposed to petition the town council to remove the restriction placed on public schools where there had been no vaccination. Vaccination was denounced as a criminal practice.

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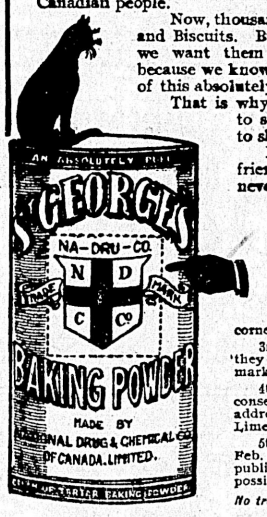

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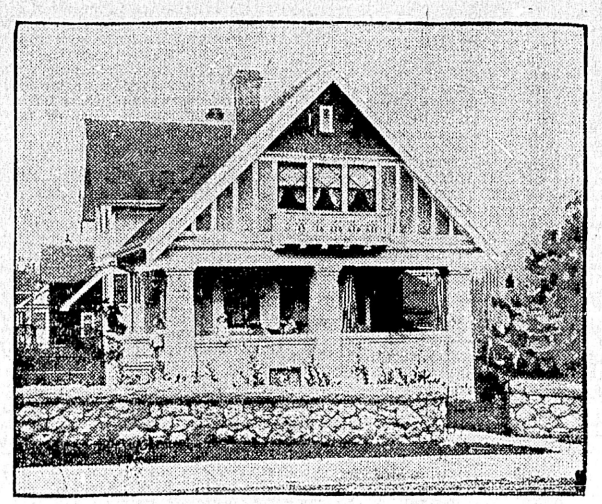

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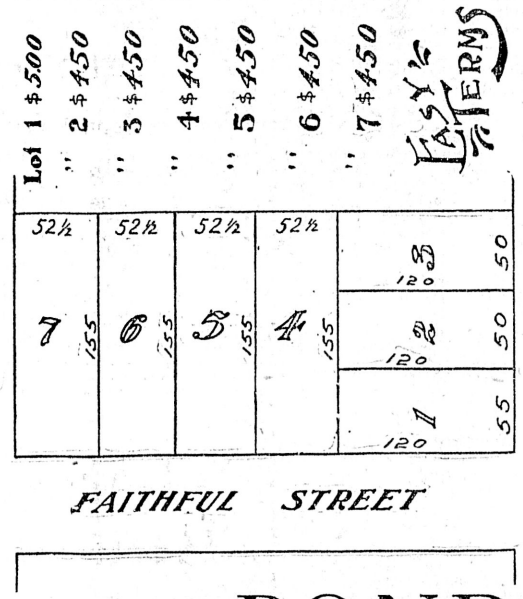

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Funeral of Colonel J. T. Scott of Port Moody—Death of Samuel Preston

New Westminster, Feb. 18.—The remains of the late Col. J. T. Scott of Port Moody were laid at rest in the Masonic cemetery in this city this afternoon, in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends, the latter including many old pioneers of this city and district.

The first portion of the funeral service was held at the late home of the deceased at Port Moody, the service there being conducted by Rev. Mr. McColl of the Port Moody Presbyterian church. The funeral party left Port Moody by train, arriving in this city shortly before noon, and the remains were conveyed to the Masonic temple, where they lay in state till the services commenced this afternoon, the funeral being an hour later than expected owing to another funeral being held today, and it was 3 o'clock by the time the cortege commenced to wend its way to the burying ground at Sapperton.

The funeral was one of the largest ever seen in New Westminster. The Masons of the city attended in a body, under Marshal T. A. Muir, while the services were conducted by Chaplain Rev. J. S. Henderson and Worshipful Master Munn of Union lodge, of which the deceased was a member. May Queen Miss Annie Tidy and her maids, as well as her guard of honor, the Boys' brigade, also attended. The pallbearers were Messrs. John Weaver, Alexander MacKay and Robert Emms of Port Moody, and S. H. Thompson of Union lodge of this city.

Mrs. Howard Taylor, a well-known Ladner resident, died at the Royal Columbia hospital in this city this morning, typhoid fever being the cause of death. Her husband has been an invalid for eleven years, suffering from rheumatism, and is at present an inmate of the hospital at which she died. Mrs. Taylor was one of the most successful farmers of the Delta, in spite of the fact that she had to carry on the work single-handed, and only recently she purchased a large farm operated many years by H. M. Vasey. Mrs. Taylor was but 38 years of age, and she leaves one daughter 18 years of age, who is living with her grandmother, Mrs. Matheson of Ladner.

Samuel Preston a resident of this city for the past twenty years, died at the Royal Columbian hospital from cancer. The deceased was 58 years of age, and a native of New Brunswick. He leaves a wife, three children and a brother resident here. The children are Mrs. Sidney Gregory, Vernon Preston and Raymond Preston, while the brother is Robert Preston, the well-known lumberman and tugboat builder. Mrs. (Capt.) J. Mayers is also a sister of the deceased. The interment will take place at the I. O. O. F. cemetery Thursday afternoon.

John Montgomery, a well-known resident of Langley, died on Saturday. He was 59 years of age.

William Lindsay, a native of Scotland, died at one of the city hospitals yesterday. He was 53 years of age.

SUSPECTED CHINAMAN

Ung Wing Taken Into Custody on Charge of His Being Assailant of Constable McLeod

Vancouver, Feb. 18.—Aided by an old Chinaman, Detectives Waddell and Jackson and Constable Joe Jordan, of Ladner, on Sunday arrested Ung Wing, a Chinaman, who is suspected of being the Oriental who shot Police Constable McLeod last Tuesday. The arrest was made by Constable Jordan at Ladner and the Chinaman was brought to the city on Sunday night by the officers.

On Friday last the officers received a clue to the Chinaman's whereabouts from an old Oriental. At that time the suspect was under surveillance at Steveston. Shortly after the shooting the man now in custody made his way from Vancouver to Steveston. He kept away from the Chinese quarter in the fishing town, and on Saturday morning last paid a Japanese fisherman a couple of dollars to row him across the river to Ladner. Upon arrival there he went to a laundry away from Chinatown and did not leave the laundry again till after his arrest.

The officers were notified of Ung Wing's whereabouts on Saturday morning, and Constable Joe Jordan placed the celestial under arrest. On Sunday Detectives Waddell and Jackson drove to Ladner and took the Chinaman in charge and brought him to Vancouver and lodged him in gaol. Yesterday he was brought up before Magistrate Williams on an attempted murder charge, but the case was stood over for a week.

Officer McLeod is making good progress and his friends look for a speedy recovery. As soon as he is sufficiently recovered the Chinaman now under arrest will be taken before him for purposes of identification.

If Ung Wing is the man who committed the deed, the reward of $500 which was offered by the Chinese Reform association will probably be divided among the old Chinaman who furnished the information and the arresting officer.

Mr. Morikawa's New Office.

Vancouver, Feb. 18.—It is understood that K. Morikawa, who has filled the position of Japanese consul in this city for five and a half years, and who was succeeded last week by C. Yada, late of the Japanese legation in Mexico, will shortly be appointed Japanese consul at Chicago. Mr. Morikawa said farewell to Vancouver yesterday. He left on the Princess Victoria for Victoria, whence he sails tomorrow on a Japanese liner for Japan. He was summoned to Tokio to receive official instructions respecting his new duties.

Election Attacked.

Vancouver, Feb. 18.—W. J. Fraser, a rancher of Huntingdon, is appealing to the courts to have the recent election of J. L. Atkinson, Reeve of Sumas municipality, declared null and void on the ground of alleged corrupt practices, intimidation and undue influences on the part of Mr. Atkinson. Through his counsel, Messrs. Macdonell & Jones, a petition and affidavit was presented to Mr. Justice Morrison this afternoon in the supreme court. At the elections held on the 18th ult. Mr. Atkinson secured a majority of nineteen votes over his opponent, Mr. Fred Fooks. The petition alleges that the voters' list was changed after the official revision by Mr. Atkinson; that Mr. Atkinson wrongfully added names to the list on the day of the election. For these reasons he asks that the election be voided.

CALL ON MEMBERS TO RESIGN SEATS

Resolutions of Asiatic Exclusion League Meeting in Vancouver

Vancouver, Feb. 18.—A mass meeting of citizens tonight, called by the Asiatic Exclusion League, passed a resolution calling upon the seven Liberal members for British Columbia in the federal house to resign. The meeting also censured the Toronto Globe for declaring that the people of British Columbia were satisfied with the agreement the Laurier government had made with Japan over the immigration question. Copies of the resolution are to be forwarded to the federal members and Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Fifteen hundred people attended the meeting, and the prophecy was freely made that if the federal members resign not one would be returned at the polls. The anti-Asiatic feeling was more intense than ever before witnessed here. Chief of Police Chamberlain had special police guarding the approaches to the Oriental quarter, but there was no suggestion of violence.

The meeting decided to hold another parade on March 7. The last parade resulted in the notorious riots, when the mob invaded the Oriental quarters. Japanese and Chinese have already taken steps to secure protection from the police

UNDER NATAL ACT

Sentence on Japanese Who Came Into Province—Habeas Corpus Proceedings

Vancouver, Feb. 18.—The two Japanese who entered British Columbia last week in defiance of the Natal act and were arrested, were this morning fined $500 each and sentenced to twelve months in jail, with the option of release if they gave sureties that they would leave the country immediately. The magistrate at New Westminster declared he was forced to be governed by the new law.

Robert Cassidy, K. C., acted for the provincial government and D. G. Macdonell for the prisoners. Japanese Consul Yada was present.

Mr. Macdonell this afternoon instituted habeas corpus proceedings in Vancouver to secure the release of the Japanese.

Willow River Company.

Barkerville, Feb. 18.—Pursuant to telegraphic orders from eastern headquarters, the Willow River Mining company suspended work February 4, and discharged all the employees except those needed to keep the pumps going. A mine examiner is expected to examine the property some time soon, and until he has reported nothing will be known as to future operations. Manager F. C. Laird will probably go east at an early date in an endeavor to convince the eastern stockholders that the present is a poor time to quit. The property is now in such shape that the running of prospect tunnels to prove the property would be but a few months' work.

NEW INDUSTRY FOR CARIBOO DISTRICT

Immigrant Farmer From Washington Introduces Angora Goats

Ashcroft, Feb. 18.—L. E. Price and sons left Ashcroft this week with 160 Angora goats and 183 graded Down sheep for their place some 38 miles back of the 70-Mile House. One of the boys brought the goats and sheep from Sprague, Washington, together with a carload of household effects.

Mr. Price, with one of his sons, preempted land in the neighborhood of Fish lake, and have put up hay enough to keep this stock until spring.

In October Mrs. Price joined her husband with their daughter, and now the whole family, with the exception of one boy—they have four boys—is with them. They have all been brought up to ranch and farm life, and are just the right sort of people to make a success of ranching in the backwoods. They have handled sheep and goats before, and know just how to care for them. Regarding the wool from the goats, or more properly speaking, mohair, Mr. Price says it averages in price from 31 to 35 cents a pound, and that the average yield per animal is about five pounds. In weight when grown they will average a little heavier than sheep of the same age. When fed on food the same as sheep, he says the meat tastes exactly like mutton. Angora goats are good rustlers, and, like our fried "Billy," have a wide range of taste. During the summer both sheep and goats will be herded and enclosed in a corral at night.

It is Mr. Price's intention to raise horses and cattle as well.

That part of the country where Mr. Price and his boys have settled will very soon be better known to the department of public works than it is at present, for the question of roads is a serious one, with Mr. Price's neighbors as well as himself. From the 70-Mile House to Mr. Pressey's, the first settler, the distance is 23 miles, and the road is good. From there to Mr. Atwood's, three miles, it is very poor, and the same condition applies to Mr. Simmons, another three miles. Nine miles farther is Mr. Price's place, Greenside Hill, with no road, and 15 miles more is Mr. McDonald's place, and it is also without a road.

Mr. Price was originally a farmer in Dakota, but the spirit of the man is that of a pioneer, and so he came to Washington. That state is getting too settled to suit him, and so he was attracted to British Columbia.

DOWNED BY DRINK

Pitiful Case of an Old Vancouver Man Who Must Go to Jail

Vancouver, Feb. 18.—Six months with hard labor was the sentence meted out to an old man, who has resided in Vancouver for years. He was charged with theft, and when his name was called, J. A. Russel, who appeared for him, entered a plea of guilty. His client, a man now well advanced in years, had been addicted to drink. It had resulted in his downfall, and he had taken a chest of tools belonging to another. These he pawned and the money had gone over the saloon bar. The accused was a man who had been well to do. For years he was a guard in the gaol at St. John, N. B., then received a promotion and was employed in the penitentiary at Dorchester. After a few years there he had come to New Westminster where he occupied a position as trade instructor in the penitentiary. Later he had come to Vancouver, but had taken to drink and the result was he had gone astray. His son had made restitution, and he had played a splendid part in this case. He had sacrificed much for his father and now wanted to save him from a term in gaol. There was a wife, who like the husband, was well up in years, while there were several children. All were dependent on the father, Mr. Russell continued to plead for his client, and when he concluded with a final appeal for suspended sentence, there was not one in the courtroom but whose heart went out to the old man in the dock, and his little son who was seated nearby. Mr. Kennedy said it was an exceedingly sad case, but the accused has been drinking hard of late and had been a source of annoyance to the authorities.

Magistrate Williams said that in view of that he could not suspend sentence. There was no excuse for the accused and he should have kept away from drink.

ROBBED HIS FRIEND

J. D. McIntosh, Late Arrival From New Zealand, To Spend 18 Months in Jail

Vancouver, Feb. 18.—Because he robbed his friend, James McDonald, an old, white-haired man, of $20, J. D. McIntosh will spend eighteen months in gaol. Although he at first denied the charge, McIntosh eventually broke down and confessed, giving the officers a written statement, which showed where the money had been put away for safekeeping by the prisoner.

McDonald and McIntosh came to Vancouver from Auckland, New Zealand, arriving here on Friday last.

McIntosh had no money, but McDonald took his friend to a room in a downtown hotel and paid the expense, and on Saturday morning McDonald went to the bank and exchanged forty-three sovereigns for bills. McIntosh was with him at the time. The two then proceeded to have a good time. They had a number of drinks together, but McIntosh disappeared after taking the old man to his room.

McDonald called the police, and Detective McLeod was detailed on the case. He picked up McIntosh, who was wearing an entirely new outfit. When asked where he had purchased the clothes and new boots which he was wearing, McIntosh said that did not concern the police. He was taken in charge and several hours later admitted his guilt and gave information to the officers by which they were able to get nearly all of the money taken by the prisoner. Altogether $17 was recovered.

When arraigned before Magistrate Williams in the police court yesterday morning, McIntosh said he had been drinking rather freely and was not responsible. He was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment with hard labor.

GOLD IN BLACK SAND

Revelstoke Man Tells of Interesting Experience With Sluice Tailings at Quesnel River

We are in receipt of a letter from Gus Hedstrum of this city who is now at Quesnel, Cariboo, in connection with the Dominion government work at Cottonwood Canyon, Fraser river. In referring to an article in the Ashcroft Journal called "Black Sand," he says that while at Quesnel he visited the region described in the article which is situated on the Quesnel river, four hours' walk from Quesnel. There he found an old placer miner, of large experience all over the continent, rocking gold at the edge of the river below a small hydraulic plant owned by J. Deacon, an old pioneer of Cariboo, who operates his plant for a short time in the spring only, owing to lack of water. The prospector took Mr. Hedstrum up to the plant, where he panned black sand from an under current tailing, about half a gold pan full. He then roasted the quicksilver, of which an amount is always left, out of the sand. After that he washed it thoroughly and in that way treated about four pounds, and after making an amalgam he had a button weighing $110.18, besides a great deal of platinum, which in small fine strings is not visible in the pans and which he had no means of saving. All this black sand has been run before through boxes with riffles, quicksilvered and under current and not a color of gold is visible with the naked eye.—Revelstoke Mail-Herald.

Granby Payroll.

Phoenix Feb. 18.—Last Monday was the monthly payday at the Granby mines for January, when approximately $50,000 was distributed in wages here. Probably $30,000 more was paid out in Grand Forks on the same day. January was a 31-day month, and a large number of men were employed for the entire month.

Kicked by Horse.

Slocan, Feb. 18.—Mr. McKinnon, who, with F. R. Northey, has a logging contract at the Patrick Lumber camp, was seriously injured here. Mr. McKinnon was loading a wagon on Main street, and stepped behind the team to adjust the harness, when one of the horses kicked him, breaking three ribs. An operation will be necessary. He was sent to the New Denver hospital.

Vancouver's School Population.

Vancouver, Feb. 18.—The rapid growth of the school population of the city was called to the attention of the school trustees at its meeting yesterday when the attendance for January was stated to have created a new record. The total noted was seven thousand four hundred and ninety-three, which is an advance of one hundred and twenty-three above the highest attendance report previously presented.

Poisoned by Lye.

Phoenix, Feb. 18.—Last Sunday the four-year-old son of James Fisher found some lye at home and ate it when his father was not looking, his mother being absent at a neighbor's. Dr. Dickson was quickly called, and everything was done for the little sufferer. He was removed to the hospital, but death relieved his sufferings Monday night. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon.

Snow Hampers Railways.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—The results of recent storms throughout the Eastern half of Canada are again shown in the weekly statement of earnings of the Canadian Pacific railway and the Grand Trunk railway. The earnings of the former for the week ending February 14 amounted to $935,000, as compared with $974,000 during the same period last year, showing a decrease of $39,000. Grand Trunk earnings for the same period amounted to $565,413, as compared with $666,298 for the same week a year ago, a decrease of $97,885.

FIRE IN MANITOBA TOWN

Minitonas, on Canadian Northern Line, Severely Visited—Some People Injured

Minitonas, Man., Feb. 18.—This morning a disastrous fire broke out in the poolroom adjoining the hotel here, and before it could be got under control the following buildings were completely destroyed: E. D. Widmeyer, municipal office; Hotel De Minitonas; J. H. Cannon, general store; W. L. Coulthard, barber shop and poolroom; Weir & Swanell, hardware merchants; W. H. Weir, implements.

The west side of the main street was completely burned out, and the windows on the east side of the street were broken and buildings badly scorched and damaged by water. The fire is supposed to have been caused by an overheated stove pipe in the poolroom adjoining the hotel.

Mr. McKinnon and family and several boarders and Winnipeg travelers had narrow escapes from death. John H. Morris, of Winnipeg, was among those seriously hurt.

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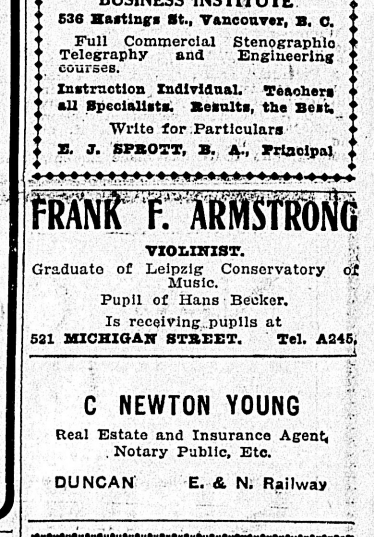

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COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

DEMANDS OF SHORTS CAUSED SMALL RISE

Stock Market Keeps its See-saw Character—Little Trading Done

New York, Feb. 18.—The short contracts put out in yesterday's declining stock market created a demand which carried prices towards recovery today. The bears were prompted to cover partly by the lack of verification of some of the rumors which helped to carry prices down yesterday, but more decidedly by the decline in offerings and the small profits in the buying in of stocks. The market dwindled to narrower proportions gradually, and the professionals are eager to take a profit when it offers.

The recovery today was spotty and interrupted with points of continued weakness in the list. As the recovery proceeded, the demand lessened and left the trading at times in a condition of stagnancy.

The news of the day was not a factor. The disposition to hold off from contraction in iron and steel is kept alive by the marked weakness of copper, owing to the decision of the principal producers in the iron and steel industry to hold up prices. Reports are persistent of a possible reconsideration of this determination by the leading steel interests.

The securities of companies with large maturing obligations to meet, and which have shown at the same time heavy inroads in the rate of earnings, continue to decline. A special explanation of the weakness lies in the selling of stock distributed in the form of dividends in lieu of cash. The Gould stocks, especially Missouri-Pacific, which sold below 34 today, touched the lowest prices in years. There was active trading in the New York city bonds, "when issued," at a recovery in price.

Sharp declines occurred in individual bonds, making the tone irregular. The total sales, par value, were $3,960,000. United States twos advanced one-half and the fours one-half per cent. on call.

WHEAT SITUATION

Limited Volume of Receipts Causes Dealers to Look For Considerable Advance

Winnipeg, Feb. 18.—The feature of the market at the present time is the steady shrinkage in the United States and Canadian receipts, and the almost equally steady increase in Argentine shipments. Australia is just about living up to the more recent predictions of 16,000,000 for export, while Russia and the Danube are about out of the running, and India has made no shipments for a week. The estimated requirements of Europe from Canada and the United States until next crop comes off are 123,000,000 bushels, and at present it does not look as if that amount would be forthcoming, though it is hard to predict just what may happen when all the corners are swept out. The steadier tone of the market in face of such large shipments begins to look as if the downward course has been stayed for a time at least. The local market has shown a great tendency to advance, and among the more sanguine bulls $1.05 before next August is still looked for.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

By F. W. Stevenson.
New York, Feb. 18, 1908.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amal. Copper	46½	46½	45⅜	46
Am Car Fdy	26	26	25⅝	25¾
Am Loco.	..	..	..	33½
Am. Smelters	57½	57⅝	55⅝	57
do pfd	90	90	89⅞	90
Am. Sugar	109	109½	108¼	109
Anaconda	29⅛	29⅛	28⅛	28⅛
Atchison	67⅜	68½	67⅜	68¼
do pfd	..	..	..	86
B. and O.	78	78⅛	77½	77⅝
do pfd	..	..	..	82
B. R. T.	39¼	41	38⅞	40½
C. P. R.	143	143½	142½	143
Cent. Leather	..	..	..	16½
C. F. and I.	17⅜	17⅜	17⅜	17⅛
C. and O.	27	27¼	26¾	26⅝
C. and G. W.	3½	3½	3½	3½
C. M. and S. P.	106¾	107	106¼	107¼
C. T. and T.	..	..	..	2
do pfd	..	..	..	12
Erie	13¾	13¾	13½	13¾
Gt. Nor. pfd	117	117	116¼	116½
Int. Paper	9⅝	9⅝	9½	9½
L. and N.	88¾	88¾	88¾	88⅝
M. S. P., S. S. M.	91	92½	91	92½
do pfd	..	..	..	125
Mo. Pac.	36	36	33⅜	33⅞
Met. St. Ry.	..	..	..	17
N. Y. Cent.	93¾	94	93½	94
Nor. Pac.	120	121⅜	119¾	121⅛
N. and W.	61¼	61½	61¼	61½
do pfd	..	..	..	80
N. Y. O. and W.	29¾	29⅞	29¾	29¾
Penna.	110¾	111½	110½	111
People's Gas	84¼	84¾	84¼	84¾
Pr. Steel Car	18¾	18¾	18½	18¾
Reading	94	94	93½	94
Rock Island	12	12	12	12
do pfd	..	..	..	24
S. Pac.	67⅜	67½	66⅞	67⅜
do pfd	109¼	109	109	109
S. R.	10	10⅛	9⅞	10⅛
do pfd	..	..	..	30
Union Pac.	113½	114⅛	112⅞	113½
do pfd	..	..	..	80
U. S Steel	28	28	27¾	27¾
do pfd	91⅞	91⅞	91¼	91½
Wabash	8⅛	8⅛	8	8
do pfd	14¾	15	14¾	15
West. Union	..	..	..	45½

Total sales 409,400 shares.
Money on call 1¾ @2 per cent.

CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE.

By F. W. Stevenson.
Chicago, Feb. 18, 1908.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat No. 2—				
May	91½	92	91	91¾
July	88	88¼	87?	88⅛
Corn No. 2—				
May	59⅜	60⅝	59⅜	60½
July	58	59⅛	58	59
Oats No. 2—				
May	49⅝	50¼	49⅝	50⅛
July	43⅝	43⅝	43⅝	43⅝
Pork—				
May	11.30	11.40	11.27	11.37
July	11.65	11.80	11.65	11.75
Liverpool Wheat—				
May	6s. 11d.			6s. 10½d.

LOCAL PRODUCE SHOWS SMALL PRICE CHANGES

Some Decline in Feedstuffs But Other Lines Hold Steady And Unchanged

Price changes on the local produce market have been few and unimportant during the past week, the market ruling quiet and presenting no new features. Dealers state that business continues to hold good, considerably in excess of this time a year ago but shows a very steady tone and little change in prices is looked for for some time.

There has been a reduction in bran and shorts, prices of which were recently advanced Prices are now off $2 per ton owing to the increasing supplies from the States. Bran is now quoted at $30 per ton and shorts $32. Hay is also easier, being quoted at $20 per ton. The mild weather has resulted in a falling off in the consumptive demand and Fraser river farmers who have been holding onto stocks in the hope that prices would have advanced are now showing a disposition to sell. Last winter farmers sold out their product early and when the exceptionally cold weather arrived they were unable to take advantage of the sudden upturn in prices. This winter they refused to sell but instead held on to their product apparently figuring on a repetition of last year's conditions but with the continued mild weather they have finally resolved to let go their holdings.

The market for eggs is somewhat upset. The mild weather and the increasing receipts have given a weaker tone to prices and dealers state that it is probable that prices will continue to ease off, as is usual at this season. Arrivals are plentiful, the fresh variety retailing at 35 cents per dozen and eastern varieties at 30 cents. Butter remains unchanged at last week's figures.

In the vegetable line there has been no change in prices the fresh varieties selling at last week's figures though canned vegetables are very firm, and while there has been no change locally there has been an advance in the east which is expected to be followed here when local stocks come to be replaced. Fruits hold unchanged at previous figures with the market presenting absolutely no new features.

In cured meats hams are down two cents for Standard brands being now quoted at 20 cents per pound and bacon and lard holds very firm considering the recent weakness of the live hog market in the east. The following are local retail prices:

Flour.	
Royal Household, a bag	$2.00
Lake of the Woods, a bag	$2.00
Royal Standard	$2.00
Purity	$2.00
Wild Rose, per bag	$1.75
Calgary, a bag	$2.00
Hungarian, per bbl	$7.75
Snowflake, a bag	$1.70
Snowflake, per bbl	$6.80
Moffet's Best, per sack	$2.00
Moffet's Best, per bbl	$7.75
Drifted Snow, per sack	$1.70
Three Star, per sack	$2.00
Foodstuffs.	
Bran, per ton	$30.00
Shorts, per ton	$32.00
Feed wheat, per ton	$40.00
Oats, per ton	$37.00
Barley, per ton	$34.00
Hay, Fraser River, per ton	$23.00
Feed Cornmeal, per ton	$38.00
Chop Feed, best, per ton	$30.00
Whole Corn, best, per ton	$36.00
Middlings, per ton	$34.00
Cracked Corn, per ton	$38.00
Vegetables.	
Celery, two heads	25
Lettuce, hot house, per head	05
Garlic, per lb	10
Onions, local, per lb	6
Potatoes, local, per sack	1.50 to 1.75
Sweet Potatoes, new, 4 lbs	25
Cauliflower, each	15 to 25
Cabbage, local, per lb	5
Red Cabbage, per lb	5
Rhubard, hot house, per lb	15
Dairy Produce.	
Eggs—	
Fresh Island, per dozen	45
Cooking, per dozen	40
Cheese—	
Canadian, per lb	75
Neufchatel, each	5
Cream, local, each	10
Butter—	
Manitoba, per lb	35
Best, dairy, per lb	40
Victoria Creamery, per lb	45
Cowichan Creamery, per lb	45
Delta Creamery, per lb	50
Butter, cooking, per lb	30
Fruit.	
Grape Fruit, per dozen	1.00
Oranges, per dozen	25 to 50
Lemons, per dozen	30
Figs, cooking, per lb	8 to 10
Apples, local, per box	2.00 to 2.25
Malago Grapes, per lb	30
Bananas, per dozen	35
Figs, table, per lb	75
Raisins, Valencia, per lb	15
Raisins, table, per lb	25 to 60
Grapes, Con., per basket	1.00
Pineapples, each	50
Pears, per box	1.25 to 1.50
Cranberries, per lb	20
Nuts.	
Walnuts, per lb	30
Brazils, per lb	80
Almonds, Jordon, per lb	75
Almonds, California, per lb	30
Cocoanuts, each	15
Pecans, per lb	30
Chestnuts, per lb	30
Fish.	
Cod, salted, per lb	10 to 13
Halibut, fresh, per lb	8 to 10
Halibut, smoked, per lb	15
Cod, fresh, per lb	6 to 8
Flounders, fresh, per lb	6 to 8
Salmon, fresh, white, per lb	8
Salmon, fresh, red, per lb	10 to 12
Salmon, smoked, per lb	20
Oysters, Olympia, per pint	40 to 50
Oysters, Toke Point, doz	40 to 50
Shrimps, per lb	25 to 30
Smelts, per lb	5 to 10
Herring, kippered, per lb	12½
Finnan Haddie, per lb	12½
Meat and Poultry.	
Beef, per lb	8 to 18
Lamb, per lb	15 to 25
Mutton, per lb	12½ to 20
Lamb, per quarter, fore	1.00 to 1.50
Lamb, per quarter, hind	1.75 to 2.00
Veal, dressed, per lb	12½ to 18
Geese, dressed, per lb	18 to 20
Ducks, dressed, per lb	20 to 25
Chickens, per lb	20 to 25
Chickens, per lb., live weight	12½ to 15
Chickens, broilers, per lb	25
Guinea Fowls, each	1.00
Pigeons, dressed, per pair	50
Rabbits, dressed, each	50 to 65
Hare, dressed, each	75
Hams, per lb	20
Bacon, per lb	25 to 30
Pork, dressed, per lb	15 to 18

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By Waghorn, Gwynn & Co., 519 Granville street, Vancouver:

Montreal	242	...
Molsons	200	...
Royal	224	220
Nova Scotia	285	278
Merchants	...	156
Union	127	...
Twin City	81¾	81⅛
Mont. Heat and Power	85¾	85½
Montreal Street Railway	178½	177½
Toronto Street Railway	98	97½
Dominion Coal, com.	...	38
Dom. Iron and Steel, com.	15¼	15⅛
Nova Scotia Steel, com.	58	56
Can. Pac. Ry., Montreal	143	142
Can. Pac Ry, London	146	...

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	Bid	Asked
Alberta Coal and Coke Co.	...	33
B. C. Copper Co.	4.25	4.90
Burton Saw Works	105	110
Canadian Con. S. and R.	60.00	80.00
Caribou Camp McKinney	2	3
Dominion Copper Co.	1.50	2.25
Granby	75.00	95.00
Int. Coal and Coke Co.	76	82
Imperial Trust Co.	100	105
Portland Canal	14	22
Sullivan	3½	4¼
Western Corporation	...	100
Western Oil Co.	...	1.05

Coeur D'Alene Stocks.

	Bid.	Asked.
Alameda	3½	4½
Humming Bird	5	7½
Charles Dickens	9½	10½
Gertie	3½	5
Humming Bird	5	7½
Idora	3½	4½
Missoula Copper	6	7½
Nabob	3¾	4¾
O. K. Con.	1	2
Oom Paul	5	7
Rex	21	26
Snow Storm	1.32	...
Stewart	95	1.05
Tamarac and Chesaptake	55	1.00
Wonder	1	1⅞

Sales—Burton Saw Works ex-div.

Ice Gorge at Des Moines

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 18.—On the Raccoon river an ice gorge six miles long has formed just above the city. City officials are using dynamite to blow up the gorge, but with poor success. Today a blizzard is raging throughout this part of the state. Eight inches of snow has fallen

Georgian Bay Canal

Ottawa, Feb. 18.—The railway committee of the Commons this morning gave the Montreal, Ottawa and Georgian Bay Canal company until 1910 to begin the construction of the canal from the mouth of the French river, on Georgian bay, to Montreal, and till 1916 to complete what it has taken in hand. A clause was inserted which gives the government power to expropriate the works of the company on three weeks' notice.

Civic Notice

Applications will be received at the office of the undersigned until Monday, the 24th inst., at 3 p. m., for the position of Auditor for the corporation of the City of Victoria. Salary at the rate of $60.00 per month.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
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Victoria, B. C. City Clerk's Office, February 19, 1908.

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Civic Notice

The Municipal Council of the corporation of the City of Victoria, having determined that it is desirable to pave, by means of wooden blocks, treated with creosote and placed on a concrete foundation, the following streets, viz.:

Fort Street from Government Street to Wharf Street.

Langley Street from Bastion Street to Courtney Street.

Broad Street from Broughton Street to Fort Street.

Courtney Street from Wharf Street to Douglas Street.

Broughton Street from Wharf Street to Douglas Street;

And that the said works shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Local Improvement General By-Law, and amendment thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor, having reported to the Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said by-law, upon said work of local improvement, giving statement showing the amounts chargeable in each case against the various portions of real property to be benefited thereby, and their reports having been adopted by the Council;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reports herein referred to are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas Street.

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Births, Marriages, Deaths

BORN.

CAMPBELL—In this city on February 18, the wife of D. E. Campbell, Linden avenue, of a son.

DIED

HENEAGE—At the Jubilee Hospital, February 17, Jessie, wife of John F. Heneage, of Alexander.

Funeral will take place from St. Andrew's Cathedral at 9 a. m., Thursday, 20th instant.

Friends please accept this intimation. (Manitoba papers please copy.)

HART—At St. Joseph's hospital, on the 18th inst., Rabab Ursula, beloved wife of Henry Hart, aged 51 years.

Funeral will take place from family residence, 64 San Juan avenue, Friday, at 2 p. m. No flowers.

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LOST AND FOUND

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STRAYED—Two cows, branded E. B on right hip, right ear split, one red with ends of horns cut off, one half Jersey, half holstein, black and white, last seen at Glen lake. Party seeing same please tie up. Notify H. Edwards, Millstream, care D. Campbell. J14

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COMFORTABLE HOME for party of 4 or 6; exclusive use of dining and sitting rooms; strictly first-class throughout. Apply telephone 763. f18

TO RENT—By the 24th inst., comfortably furnished room for two people, with board. Mrs. Greig, 819 Cook St. f16

TO LET—Ladies visiting the city will find comfortable table and board in private house, 1903 Quadra St. 'Phone 250. f14

WANTED—By married couple with infant room and board or light housekeeping rooms with private family. Apply Box 205 Colonist. feb 9

ROOM AND BOARD—Moderate terms; also table boarders, $4.50 per week. 729 Fisguard Street, off Douglas St., central. f4

TO LET—Rooms, Carberry Gardens, with breakfast. Telephone B-1514. J2

TO LET—Furnished rooms and board Piano and phone, Bellevue, Quebec St., third house from Parliament buildings

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ALL KINDS of Chinese labor supplied and contracts taken; terms moderate. Address Yin Thoms & Man Wo Co., 1630 Government St., Phone A1278. f1

THE DEVEREUX EMPLOYMENT AND GENERAL AGENCY.

Rae St., Victoria, B. C.

WANTED—Immediately, two good cooks at $30 per month; three gentral maids at $25; 2 housemaids at $20, (city.) Devereaux Agency, Rae St. f18

REQUIRED by experienced governess, afternoons, care of children or daily tuition.

AN ENGLISH LADY seeks daily duties; care of invalid or amanuensis.

A GERMAN, age 35, seeks position as general maid; good plain cook; wages $25

WANTED—Daily house-cleaning by competent English woman.

WANTED—Two girls, age 16, as mothers' help. City and Victoria West.

TO LET—Four sunny bedrooms for gentlemen, within five minutes of car and postoffice.

MISCELLANEOUS.

FOR SALE OR RENT—Limestone and sand, adjoining the Silica Brick works. Apply T. Atkins, Colwood P. O. f19

FOR SALE—Two shares preferred stock Pacific Whaling Co., with 25 per cent dividend, at $100 each, and privilege of taking one share of common stock at $50. Apply Box 341 Colonist. f19

OWING to the drop in lumber, now is the time to have your carpenter work done. Satisfaction guaranteed by experienced men. Estimates given. Address John Speers, 1928 Ash street. f19

UNFURNISHED front room with board. Suitable for elderly lady. 1198 Yates St. f18

DRESSMAKING learned quickly at corner Yates and Broad Sts. D. F. Sprinklings Dresscutting School. Patterns cut to measure. f18

LAUNCH ACCOMMODATION — Anyone desiring the above will please communicate with Box 333, Colonist. f18

TO HOUSEHOLDERS AND OTHERS—Working builder will contract to build your house, barn or bungalow, and give you sterling value for money; houses from $500; comfortable shacks $150; also estimate for drainage, concrete work, plumbing, gas and electric lighting, decorating, and all branches of building work; no job too small; low charges; satisfaction guaranteed; write me your requirements. Box 326, Victoria. f16

FRENCH DRESSMAKING — Mesdames Vital have opened a French Dressmaking Establishment at 1348 Grant St., Having had several years experience in the best Paris houses, they can guarantee perfect fit and style at moderate charges. Apprentices wanted. f18

WANTED—A good home by adoption, for baby girl seven months old. Apply Mrs. W. James, Old Esquimalt Road. f16

LARGE FURNISHED ROOM to let, with or without board; use of piano and phone. Apply 523 Vancouver St. f16

SEWING MACHINES REPAIRED. Satisfaction guaranteed. Richmond, Royal Hotel. Phone 1294.

FOR SALE—Old manure. Jas. Richards, cor. Queen's Ave. Cook street. f13

FOR CONCRETE WORK, tiling, chimney building, cement work, foundations. Prices reasonable. 1621 Blanchard St. f12

CABINET MAKERS and boat builders can get the kind of lumber needed in their businesses promptly and at reasonable prices from B. F. Graham Lumber Co., Ltd., mills and yards Garbally road, Victoria Arm, Victoria, B. C. Tel 864. f12

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PRUNING and Spraying Done; contract or day work. J. Cook, Beaumont P.O. Phone B804, Esquimalt. f11

MASQUERADE SUITS AND WIGS—A few choice ladies' suits to rent at Mdme. Kosche's, 1105 Douglas St. f14

COTTON RAGS wanted at The Colonist job department. J23

WILL LEASE 5¾ acres good land, good house, outbuildings, full bearing orchard, lots of small fruits, 1½ miles from city limits and car. Apply Newcomb, Pipe Line Road, near Pumping Station.

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TO FARMERS—The Stump Puller recently patented in Victoria, more powerful than any other ever made, catches from one to twenty stumps in one pull. Most surprising to all who have seen it work and is just what the farmer and contractor needs. Will clear up a radius of 330 feet round without moving; can be removed with ease in thirty minutes. Those having land to clear should have one of these. Apply 466 Burnside Road. J26

PITMAN'S SHORTHAND—Modern short course simplifies and shortens system; rapid progress guaranteed; also by correspondence. Apply to certified teacher, 1045 Yates St. J21

FOR SALE—320 acres or more of No. 1 fall wheat land in southern Alberta, on line of C. P. railway; easy terms. Apply to owner, Wm. Kingsley, New Westminster, B. C. J5

IF YOU WISH TO MARRY write to Canada's leading matrimonial agents, Ford & Simmons, 984½ Main St., Winnipeg. J1

FOR SALE—Large gasoline launch, suitable for hunting, fishing, or towing. 25 feet long, 10 h.p. engine, a bargain. Apply, Caretaker, J. B. A. A. Clubhouse, Belleville street. (a31

FOR SALE—Auxiliary Yacht "Ariadne" lately overhauled, with full equipment. Apply Crease & Crease, 17 Fort Street, Victoria, B. C. Aug17

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL—Having purchased the blacksmith and carriage shop of W. A Robertson & Son, 56 Discovery streets, I am now prepared to do all kinds of carriage, blacksmith, painting and horse shoeing, etc. I make a specialty of shoeing horses with corns, quarter corks, etc. Attention is called to my change of address, and all old customers and new ones are cordially invited to give me a call. I. J. Fisher, 56 Discovery street.

WANTED—FEMALE HELP.

WANTED—Waitress wanted. Apply 10 to 12, 2 to 3, Cosy Corner Cafe. f19

WANTED—Immediately, girl to do housework, or woman by the day. Apply 1023 Belmont Ave. f18

WANTED, a Nursery Governess. "Summerdyne," Oak Bay Avenue.

WANTED—Ladies who wish to earn a little pin money at home. Answer, Box 336 Colonist. f18

WANTED, Young Girl Help. Two in family. Apply 120 Dallas Road. f16

WANTED—Lady that thoroughly understands general work in real estate office. Will pay good salary to right party. Address Colonist office, 322. f16

WANTED—Two experienced saleslades. Apply, Angus Campbell & Co., 1010 Government St. f16

WANTED—MALE HELP

SALESMAN WANTED, accustomed to horses and with a knowledge of the town; married man preferred. Apply giving references, age and salary expected, 347 Colonist. f19

WANTED—Situation as coachman or groom; thorough good horseman; also the best of references. Apply Box 276 Colonist. f19

WANTED—First-class Engineer to run diamond drill for coal boring. Apply: Bond & Clark, 614 Trounce Ave. f18

WANTED—Choirmaster for Metropolitan Methodist Church. Applications must be in by 29th February to J. H. Baker, 1417 Fernwood Road.

WANTED—A farm hand. M. Finnerty & Sons, Cadboro Bay. f18

MEN WANTED—Reliable men in every locality throughout Canada to advertise our goods, tack up showcards on trees, fences, bridges, and all conspicuous places, also distribute small advertising matter. Commission or salary $83 per month and expenses $4 per day. Steady employment to good reliable men. No experience necessary. Write for particulars. Empire Medicine Co., London, Ont.

WANTED—Man having previous experience, to take charge of general store on west coast Vancouver; married man preferred. Apply Hudson Bay Company's office, Wharf St., Victoria. f14

WANTED—Certificated teacher, with family preferred for South Galiano, B. C. Salary $480 per annum. Apply T. C. Rae, Sec. Treas. f13

GOOD PAY—Men wanted everywhere to tack signs, distribute circulars, samples, etc. No canvassing. National Dist. Bureau, Chicago, Ill.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE

WANTED—Lady, thoroughly domesticated, desires post as home help, daily or resident. Apply 855 Colonist Office. j16

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.

WANTED—Work by strong man on farm, or as teamster, or for concrete work. Eric Peers, Turgoose P. O., Saanichton. f19

WANTED—Painting by day or job. Box 338, Colonist. f18

CAPABLE GARDENER requires situation; good references. Apply Box 325, Colonist. f16

WANTED—Situation as butler; experienced and best references. 285 Colonist. f14

WANTED—Educated young man wants work, experienced office man and salesman. Excellent references. If you need a hustler, faithful, intelligent and not afraid of work, please write to 254, Colonist. f12

WANTED—Two first class Carpenters want small contracts; will also subcontract. Apply, 922 Green Street. f7

WANTED—Situation as coachman, experienced, good references. B. D. Beaumont, Post Office. f4

BUSINESS CHANCES.

FOR SALE—A Milk Business. Apply: 749 Pandora Street f15

FOR SALE—Best boarding house proposition in the city. Small amount of capital required. Address 207 Colonist. feb 9

FOR SALE—PROPERTY

NEW ALBERNI—Subdivision lot 132; lots $50 each; half cash, balance one year. A chance to double your money in six months. F. C. Nivins & Co, Government St., next Imperial Bank, upstairs. f18

FOR SALE—4 lots, oak trees, close to beach and car, Oak Bay. Owner, 465 Belleville. f18

FOR SALE—Good property, James Bay, will pay 14 per cent. net on outlay of capital if sold on or before the 19th of this month. Colonist, Box 305. f15

TO BE SOLD CHEAP on account of leaving city, six roomed house, pantry, bathroom, scullery, cellar, sheds, plumbing done. 1434 Vining St. f14

FOR SALE—Brick Cottage and two houses, corner Hillside and Quadra, on two lots. Will sell separate at a bargain. Residence: 2660 Hillside and Quadra. f11

FOR SALE—Five acres cleared land, all fenced, near town, 5-roomed house, barn, stable, outbuildings, orchard, 750 five year old fruit trees, 1,500 small fruit trees, young horse, buggy, harness, household furniture. Complete for $5,500. Lee & Fraser, Trounce Ave., City. f8

MAKE MONEY—Buy Port Angeles Real Estate before the rise. Three railways are now heading for there, surveys are about completed and when active construction commences property will advance rapidly. I can sell you large or small blocks of anything from waterfront to acreage. 32 lots for $200, 60 acres, well timbered, at $20 per acre. 100 lots at $10 each. I handle Port Angeles realty exclusively. Circular on application. W. C. Sheldon, 545 Bastion Street, Victoria, B.C. f8

THIS IS A SNAP—For one week only we offer a new modern bungalow with fine lot, easily worth $5,000, for $4,250, has nice garden and is close to Fort St. car and the high school. Heisterman Co., 1207 Government St. f7

FOR SALE—An eight-roomed house in James Bay district, modern conveniences; will sell on monthly payments. Apply: Box 144, Colonist. f5

FOR SALE—4 acres of choice fruit land, four miles out, 150 fruit trees, King variety. If you want to build a home in the country, now is your chance. Price only $1,400. Apply The Stuart Robertson Co., Ltd., 1212 Broad street. j30

FOR SALE—SECONDHAND

FOR SALE—New drophead Singer sewing machine. What offers? Apply Barden, 839 Pandora, Victoria. f18

DRESS SUIT for sale, latest style, quite new; a bargain. Box 302, Colonist. f15

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TO LET—FURNISHED ROOMS

TO LET—Furnished room suitable for two. Heated, modern new house. 321 Michigan. f14

TO RENT—One bedroom, with breakfast if preferred. 331 Chatherine St., opposite Park. Enquire between 10 a. m. and 1 p.m.

TO LET — Room, Carberry Gardens, breakfast if desired. Telephone B1514. j30

TO RENT — Comfortable furnished rooms, heated, bath and phone; use of sitting room and kitchen. 1189 Yates St. Phone B-185. J30

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished front bedroom. Apply 1053 Mears St., near Cook. J21

FURNISHED ROOMS—Elegantly furnished rooms, with or without board. All modern improvements, including electric light and telephone. Close to steamboat landing. Corner Birdcage Walk and Belleville Streets, opposite Woodill (formerly Revere House.)

TO LET—RESIDENCES

TO LET—1604 Jubilee Avenue, good modern eight roomed house, within three minutes walk of two car lines. Rent $30.00 per month. Apply A. W. Bridgman, 1007 Government St. f19

TO RENT—5-room new modern Cottage, good locality; ten minutes walk from Post Office; can be leased. $25. Apply to R. W. Coleman, 1230 Government Street. f18

TO RENT—Fairfield road off Cook St. seven-roomed house, modern improvements. Particlars on application. Apply 913 Douglas street. f14

TO LET—We have had placed in our hands a beautiful new modern house which will be leased to an approved tenant. It has 5 bedrooms, living room 15x24, hall 18x18, dining-room 16x20, kitchen and basement; heated with hot air, and has ample grounds. Further particulars on application. Heisterman Co., 1207 Government St. J30

TO RENT—Furnished, for one year or less, one of the finest homes in Victoria. Families without young children preferred. Apply The B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., Government street, Victoria. ja21

WANTED—TO PURCHASE

WANTED—To buy, mahogany card tables. H. Stadthagen, Indian Trader, 79 Johnson St. f16

WANTED—Lot about $1,000. Apply box 269 Colonist. f13

WANTED—To purchase, a Donkey engine, about 20 to 30 hp. Address J. J. Dougan, Cotton Drive, Grand View, 3rd Ave., Vancouver, B. C.

WANTED TO BUY—Small house or cottage and full sized lot, within easy walk from Post Office, in good neighborhood. Price must be reasonable. Send full particulars and price. 129 Colonist. f4

WANTED—Immediately, on E. & N. Ry. vicinity, 5 acres and buildings, suitable for poultry. Easy payments or rent. J. G. Archibald, 520 Burrard St., Vancouver, B. C. j14

WANTED—Modern house in city. Price not to exceed $3,500 cash. Principals only dealt with. Address 739 Colonist. j9

WANTED—To purchase, old mahogany furniture, clocks, grandfather clocks, coins, stamps, etc. A. A. Aaronson, 85 Johnson Street.

POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK.

FOR SALE—Registered St. Bernard dog "Thurgan." S. deTrafford Cunningham, Maywood P. O. f19

FOR SALE—Quiet cow, good milker. 337 Quebec street. f16

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred fox terrier puppies, two months old. Apply A. B. Irving, 622 Cook street, or by telephone to No. 610 Between 8 and 9 o'clock j24

FOR SALE—Cockerels, S. C. Rhode Island Reds, Black Orpingtons. Eggs for setting, $2 and $1.. Miss Turner. Tel. B337. ja21

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1212 Broad Street.

LOT on Duchess Street, 60x120. Cheap at $475.

FINE RESIDENCE and two lots on Belmont avenue. $9,000.

MODERN DWELLING HOUSE—Lot 60 x 120, close in; only $4,500.

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FOR SALE—Ginger Beer Factory. Call and inspect our list of farms.

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11 TROUNCE AVENUE.

MASON STREET—4 roomed cottage for $1,050. Easy terms.
FIRST STREET—5 roomed cottage for $1,200. Terms to arrange.
COLINGWOOD STREET—3 lots, very large. Only $1,100.
PRIOR and BLACKWOOD STREETS—Lots very cheap and on easy terms.
OFFERS WANTED—for two lots, corner of Chambers and Cedar Hill Roads, size 88 feet by 187. Can be had cheap.
FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE AGENTS—Money to loan on approved security at current rates, also good acreage for sale. Established 1890.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that under and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906, chapter 115, Clifton Scott Whiting will apply to the Governor-General-in-Council for approval of the plan and site for the erection of a wooden wharf in front of Lot 541 A, in the City of Victoria, B.C.

A plan of the said proposed wharf and a description by metes and bounds of the proposed site of the same, have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and duplicates thereof have been deposited in the Office of the Registrar of Deeds for the said City of Victoria, the same being the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid.

Victoria, B.C., the 8th day of February, 1908.

FELL & GREGORY,
Solicitors for Clifton Scott Whiting, Applicant.

Monkey Brand Soap removes all stains, rust, dirt or tarnish — but won't wash clothes.

F. J. O'Reilly. C. T. Cross.

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REAL ESTATE, MINES,
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ALBERNI

We have 90 acres, just out of Alberni. The property has a commanding position, with good view of the valley and canal. For sale at less per acre than small lots the same distance from town are offered at. Terms and price at office.

NANCOSE

160 Acres near Nanoose Bay, with coal rights. Coal has been found on the next section. $30 per acre.

PORTAGE INLET

107 Acres fronting on Inlet, 40 acres cleared, cottage and barn worth $2500, young orchard. Splendid property for sub-division. Would make a fine site for school or country club. Only $22,000.

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Corner Trutch and Collinson Streets—114 x 114 feet. A snap at $2,100.00.

Corner Scoresby and Linden Avenue—110 x 120, splendid location. $3,500.00.

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We are sole agents.

FRUIT LANDS

We have a block of over 800 acres of splendid fruit land in Kootenay District. Would divide well into 5 and 10-acre tracts. Will be sold at a bargain.

FIRE INSURANCE WRITTEN

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve over certain lands in South-East Kootenay, notice of which appeared in the British Columbia Gazette of the 14th August, 1890, and bore date of August 12th, 1890, is hereby cancelled. The above mentioned lands will be open for location under the land act on March 30, 1908. ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works, Lands and Works Department. Victoria, B. C., December 16th, 1907. d27

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

IN PROBATE.

In the matter of the Estate of George Anthony Walkem, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act," that all persons having any claims or demands against the above named deceased who died on or about the 13th day of January, 1908, at the City of Victoria, B.C., are hereby required to send by registered post prepaid; or to deliver, to the undersigned solicitors herein for George Gillespie, executor under the last will of the said deceased, their names and address and full particulars in writing of their claims, and statements of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them, duly verified by Statutory Declaration.

And Take Notice that after the 10th day of March, 1908, the said George Gillespie will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice, and that the said George Gillespie will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claim he shall not then have received notice.

All persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to the undersigned forthwith.

Dated at Victoria aforesaid this 3rd day of February, 1908.

MORESBY & O'REILLY,
Of Imperial Bank Chambers, corner of Government and Yates Streets, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for the said George Gillespie, Executor.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that we intend making application at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners, for a transfer from us to Elizabeth Dennison of the license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail in the premises known as the "St. Francis Hotel" at the corner of Yates Street and Oriental Alley, in the City of Victoria.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 14th day of February, 1908.

A. D. ROLPH,
GEO. W. WEEKS.

SHERIFF'S SALE

In accordance with an order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, dated the 13th day of February, 1908, I will offer for sale at public auction at my office, Law Courts, Victoria, on Wednesday next, February 19th, at 10.30 a. m., lots 35, 36, 44 and 45 of block 4, Gonzales Estate, Victoria. Terms of sale cash.

F. G. RICHARDS,
Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Victoria, February 14th, 1908.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting as a Licensing Court, for a transfer to Jesse Julian Jackson of my license for the sale of wines and liquors by retail upon the premises situate on the corner of Bastion street and Commercial Alley, in the city of Victoria, and known as "Steele's Saloon."

Dated this 30th day of January, 1908.

A. BLOCKLEY.

TENDERS

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to Tuesday, the 25th inst., at 12 o'clock noon, for the stock, book debts, goodwill, etc., of the grocery business heretofore carried on by F. P. Watson at No. 623 Yates street, and the unexpired time of the lease of the said premises. Particulars can be ascertained on application at the office of R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd., Wharf street. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

J. H. LAWSON,
C. F. TODD,
Assignees.

FOR SALE

60 ACRES—Sooke District, just inside Sooke harbor.

FINE SEA FRONTAGE—At Esquimalt, about three acres. Cheap.

TWO LOTS—On Victoria harbor with large wharf and sheds and 2 large warehouses in good condition. On easy terms.

THREE LOTS—On Yates street with 10 stores, bringing in good rentals.

TO RENT—Large wharf at foot of Yates street. Rent $130 per month.
For further particulars apply to

J. STUART YATES

22 Bastion street. Victoria.

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA

Tenders, sealed, endorsed, and addressed to the undersigned, from whom specifications may be obtained, will be received up to 4 p. m. on Monday, the 16th day of March, 1908, for the supplying of the following cast iron water pipes:

33,000 FEET 12-INCH,
18,000 FEET 8-INCH,
36,500 FEET 6-INCH,
25,000 FEET 4-INCH,

as per specification, and to be delivered where required within the limits of the city of Victoria, on or before the first day of September, 1908.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

City Hall, Victoria, B. C., February 1, 1908. WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the matter of the Estate of Gustav Schutz, alias Gus Peterson, deceased, intestate, and in the matter of the Official Administrators' Act.

Notice is hereby given that, under an order made by the Honorable Mr. Justice Irving, dated the 4th day of February, 1908, I, the undersigned, was appointed administrator of the estate of the above named deceased. All parties having claims against the said estate are required to send particulars of their claims to me, duly authenticated, on or before the 18th day of March, 1908, and all parties indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to me forthwith.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 18th day of February, 1908.

R. G MONTEITH,
Acting Official Administrator.

"LAND REGISTRY ACT"

In the matter of an application for a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to Part of Section 59, Spring Ridge, Victoria City.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above land issued to James Baker on the 25th day of December, 1889, and numbered 9499a.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B.C., this 15th day of February, A. D., 1908.

Blue Printing without delay. B.C. Maps. Draughting. Electric Blue-Print & Map Co. 1218 Langley St. Victoria, B.C.

NOTICE

At the next sitting of the Licensing Board for the City of Victoria, I intend applying for a transfer of the Liquor License held by me upon the premises known as No. 1111 Broad Street, in the City of Victoria, to A. R. McDonald.

ANNA BURNS.
Executrix of the Estate of L. G. Burns.
ANNA BURNS.

Dated this Seventh (7) day of February, 1908.

We have several large

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To Rent

For six months or so. Possession can be obtained about the end of this month.

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Money to Loan
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Improved Real Estate

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MANY MEASURES ARE ADVANCED

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my mind that they proposed in case of failure on the part of this parliament to act in the matter as requested, to disallow the whole of the legislation. (Hear, hear.)

Another Feature

Mr. Macdonald (Rossland) said that another feature should not be forgotten for the inclusion of this amendment would place this railway company, as well as other companies, in a similar situation, who proposed to open up this province to settlement in a less favorable position than those which were now in the field. (Hear, hear.) As they were all aware, many charters had been granted lacking such a clause. Unquestionably, we needed railways and if they were obtained without cost to the province in the way of subsidy and of land grants they should neither heedlessly nor needlessly throw any obstacle in the way that might prevent these roads being built. (Hear, hear.) The principle involved was moreover altogether different from the one which was involved in the Railway Assessment act. In that case they were giving an equivalent to a money grant in tax exemption for a term of years, and they had a right to insist upon the exclusive employment of white labor. But the situation here was quite otherwise. Assistance was not asked, and inasmuch as this company should not be placed in a different position from other companies, and as no obstacle should be placed in their way he proposed speaking for himself at all events to vote against the amendment. (Applause.)

Other Speakers.

John McInnis (Grand Forks) and John Jardine (Esquimalt) supported the amendment.

W. H. Hayward (Cowichan): It would appear, Sir, to an ordinary man that the person who puts anything in the way of railway construction in this province, and particularly so at the present time, is certainly not the friend of the workingman. (Applause.)

Amendment Rejected.

The amendment was rejected on the following division:

Yeas: Messieurs Eagleson, Jones, Yorkston, Henderson, Jardine, Williams, Hawthornthwaite, McInnis—8.

Nays: Messieurs King, Naden, Kergin, Macdonald, Munro, Brewster, Tatlow, McBride, Bowser, Cotton, Ellison, Ross, Shatford, McPhillips, Thomson, Hunter, Fulton, Young, Taylor, Garden, Macgowan, Gifford, Grant, Behnsen, Manson, Hayward, McGuire, Parson, Davey, Schofield —30.

Fair Wage Clause

Mr. Ross proposed to have included in the bill the fair wage clause, and in order that this might be done in accordance with the rule of the house Mr. McPhillips moved the adjournment of the debate at this point.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite rose to a question of privilege and stated that he had not been present at the division on the day previous as he was in the corridor at the time and the division bell was not rung. He wished in the circumstances to have his name recorded.

The speaker reserved his decision on this point, but remarked that it would have been better if attention had been called to the matter at the time.

It was then agreed that the clause in question should be placed on the order paper, and inserted at a later stage.

Eastern British Columbia

On the bill to incorporate the Eastern British Columbia Railway company being taken up.

Hon. Mr. McBride—As the member for the islands, who moved the adjournment of the debate is not in the house at the moment, and since the differences which have arisen between the two companies now in question have been adjusted and to a certain extent agreed upon, I hope that the house will allow this bill to pass through its second reading, as the people who are interested in this matter have been here for some days and are anxious to get away, and I do not see now there can possibly be any objection to this being done.

The bill was read a second time.

Objection Overruled.

When the bill for the protection of persons employed in factories was reached, Hon. Mr. Eberts gave his decision on the point of order raised some days ago by Mr. Henderson, the member for Yale, as follows:

"In the committee of the whole on the above bill a point of order was taken by the honorable member for Ashcroft that the same had not been properly launched, in that, being a bill dealing with trade, it should have been introduced by a resolution from the committee of the whole, and having been introduced by motion the procedure was in direct conflict with rule 13, which is as follows:

"'No bill relating to trade, or the alteration of the laws relating to trade, is to be brought into the house until the proposition shall have been first considered in a committee of the whole house and agreed unto by the house.'

"The honorable member for Skeena, the chairman of the committee, held that the bill was properly before the house and committee, and an appeal against his decision to the speaker has been taken by the honorable member who took the point of order.

"Trade in general terms means the act or business of exchanging commodities by barter, the business of buying and selling for money.

"This bill, as its title denotes, is an act for the protection of persons employed in factories. I have perused the bill carefully, and I fail to find any of its sections altering the laws concerning trade, as the word is used in its general acceptation. Certainly the persons who are to be protected under the bill are indirectly connected with the trade carried on by the persons by whom they are employed, but their avocation in no way relates to trade, nor is their better protection any alteration of the laws concerning trade.

"A similar rule to 43 of the rules of this house is in force in the British and Dominion houses, and the object of the rule is that bills relating to trade should be founded on the resolution of a preliminary committee, in order to give an opportunity for a fuller discussion and a wider notice to those interested.

"A bill for regulating the employment of children in factories has been introduced into the English house on motion only, and the bill itself is in effect of the same nature as the one now under discussion.

"The bill is simply to protect the life and limb of a person employed in any of the factories designated in the act, and may fairly be termed a police regulation.

"I therefore hold that the bill has been properly introduced by motion.

Mr. McInnis' Bill.

The debate was resumed on Mr. McInnis' bill to prevent discrimination against members of trades unions.

Hon. Mr. McBride.—Mr. Speaker, with regard to this matter, I have carefully investigated, as far as I am personally concerned, the whole question, in order to see just how far my hon. friend's bill proposed to go, and I have arrived at the conclusion, that the adoption of legislation of this kind would merely have the result of inviting such interference between employer and employee, as would not lend any assistance whatever to the business conditions in this country. (Hear, hear). At the present time, sir, the employer has the right to hire and to dismiss the labor for which he pays, and why, sir, should this legislature infringe on this right by exacting any conditions as regards the employer. And, sir, if we are going to initiate legislation of this kind, I question and I question very much, whether we shall not, in session after session, in the future be beseiged with requests for legislation of a similar character, and not only on the part of employees, but also on the part of employers. (Hear, hear). Now, sir, there is no condition that I know of which warrants the adoption of this policy. I have had the privilege of discussing this question with my hon friend from Grand Forks, who is concerned over the local situation, and particularly in reference to the Granby smelter, and it would appear at first sight reasonable to adopt the bill, in view of the situation which was created at Grand Forks by one of the largest smleters in this country, but we well know that it is very bad principle to go on to bring down general legislation solely with the view of covering special cases. (Hear, hear). And I further think, sir, that in this particular instance, it will be quite safe to go this far, that if we adopt this bill it will be a very easy matter indeed for the employer of labor to get outside its provisions. (Hear, hear). And to my mind, sir, it would be a very simple procedure for the employer to so arrange his contracts and his bargains with his employees as to escape completely the conditions which would be imposed by this legislation. (Hear, hear).

What Objections Are.

The objections to the bill of my honorable friend are these: In the first place, there is nothing in the situation to warrant legislation of this kind; in the next place it is an interference between the employer and the employee, and an infringment on the rights of the employer; while last, and by no means least, it would not be effective. (Hear, hear).

I think, however, that no one will question my honorable friend's sincerity. We are all well aware that he represents in particular in this house the labor interests, and that on all occasions when any interests are at stake affecting labor he has, as far as it has been in his power, promoted legislation to that end; but I repeat, Mr. Speaker, that here is a bill which in the circumstances—because it would not be wise for us to pass it, and because it would not be good legislation, and further because it would not at all effect the purpose for which it is proposed—should not be adopted, in my opinion, by this parliament. I intend, Mr. Speaker, speaking for myself, to oppose the bill.

Support the Bill.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite: I do not at all agree with the premier that there is no widespread necessity for this legislation. In New Zealand trades unions are endorsed by the government, and every provision is made there to bring about the amicable settlement of trade disputes, and no harm has resulted.

Mr. Macdonald said it was no doubt undesirable to place on the statute book measures which could not be enforced, or which could in some way be evaded, but at the same time the bill expressed a principle. The time had long passed when trades unions were unlawful organizations, and he intended to vote for the bill.

Pays Respects to Mr. Macdonald

Mr. Williams remarked that the member for Rossland evidently favored the bill as a mere expression of opinion on the part of the legislature. But at the same time that hon. gentleman was the solicitor for the corporation, which had introduced American methods into this province, and hence they had possibly a declaration made on the floor of the house by the very solicitor who would show the people of Grand Forks the way in which this bill could be evaded. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Macdonald: I beg to inform my hon. friend that when I entered the house four years ago I gave up my retainer for the Granby Mining & Smelting company, and I occupy at the present time exactly the same position with respect to that company that I occupy in the case of any other company.

Mr. Williams: I am very glad to have this information, but if my memory is not at fault the hon. gentleman a couple of years ago refused to vote on a certain question because he was the solicitor of that company.

Mr. Macdonald: I gave up my retainer, and a very handsome one it was, from that company at the very commencement when I entered politics, but I did not cease to do business for them. I am, however, no longer bound to them in any other way than I am bound to any other company, or, for instance, to one John Smith, a working miner.

Mr. Williams: I perceive that the hon. gentleman occupies the very position in which I at first placed him, and is acting as the solicitor for the Grand Forks Smelting company. I am only an ordinary layman, and it seems to me that a man who does business in the ordinary way for a company as a lawyer is in the same position as a man who has accepted a retainer. In any event the difference is at best very superficial. (Hear, hear.) But as two years ago the hon. gentleman induced this company to adopt the eight hour system, I trust that in this case also he will use his influence with that corporation to have an end put to the introduction and employment of American methods in this province. (Hear, hear.)

Would Mean Open Shop.

Mr. Hayward: I cannot agree, Sir, with the hon. member for Rossland that a good principle is enshrined in this bill. I believe in fair play to one and in fair play to all and I oppose the bill because if passed it would perpetrate a gross infringement on the liberties of the subject. (Applause.)

Bill Is Defeated.

The bill was defeated on the following division:

Yeas: Messieurs King, Naden, Eagleson, Jones, Yorkson, Kergin, Oliver, Macdonald, Henderson, Jardine, Williams, Hawthornthwaite, McInnis, Young, Schofield—15.

Nays: Messieurs Munro, Brewster, Tatlow, McBride, Bowser, Cotton, Ellison, Ross, Thomson, Hunter, Fulton, Taylor, Garden, Macgowan, Gifford, Grant, Behnsen, Manson, Hayward, McGuire, Mackay, Parsons, Davey—23.

Pairs: Messieurs Hall, McPhillips.

Provisions of Bill.

The principle clauses of this bill were as follows:

1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, or any one acting on their behalf, to make or enter into any agreement, either oral or written, by the terms of which any employee of such person, firm or corporation, or any person about to enter the employ of such person, firm or corporation, as a condition for continuing or obtaining such employment, shall promise or agree not to become, or cease to continue to be, a member of any labour organisation or trade union.

2. It shall be unlawful for any employer or employers of labour, or any person acting on their behalf, to ask any person seeking employment, or any person already employed by such employer or employers, any question or questions that would divulge or tend to divulge as to whether such employee or prospective employee was or was not a member of a labour organisation.

And all violations of these provisions involved a penalty not less than $50 and not over $100.

Third Readings.

The following bills were read the third time and passed:

An act regarding the approval of cemetery sites.

An act to amend the hospital act, 1902.

Second Readings.

The following bills were read the second time:

To enable the city of Nelson to borrow $85,000 for electric light and power purposes.

To incorporate the Vancouver and Nicola Valley Railway company.

Passed and Reported.

The bill to incorporate the Dominion Trust company was on motion of Dr. McGuire, Vancouver, considered in committee, passed and reported without amendment.

Read First Time.

A bill further to amend the Companies' act, 1897, introduced by Mr. McPhillips, K. C., was read the first time.

Report Is Adopted.

The report on the bill to authorize the Ladysmith Lumber company, Ltd., to construct and operate a railway for logging and lumbering purposes was adopted.

Newcastle Expenditure.

In answer to a question from Mr. Williams, Newcastle, Hon. F. J. Fulton stated that from July 1st to December 31st, 1907, $6,143.81 had been spent on roads, trails and bridges in the district of Newcastle; that Henry Trudell had held the position of cruiser for the road to Green mountain. The total sums paid, as salary, wages and expenses to the following parties were: John Cairns—Salary, $136; expenses, $44. Walter Michael—Salary, $334.75; expense, nil. D. Ferguson—Salary, $256.75; expenses, nil. John Love—Salary, $68.25; expenses, nil. H. Truedell—Salary, $154; expenses, nil.

Mr. Oliver's Question.

In response to a former motion of John Oliver (Delta), Hon. Mr. Fulton presented a return of a copy of the map, plan and book of reference (with certificate of the hon. chief commissioner attached) deposited by the Victoria Terminal railway company in connection with the acquisition by the company of additional rights of way through the lands of John Weaver, at Mud bay.

Kettle River Bridge.

In presenting a return of copies of correspondence, telegrams and reports relating to the construction of a bridge over the Kettle river at or near Rock creek, Hon. F. J. Fulton gave an explanation. He stated that the member for Greenwood (G. R. Naden) had gone through the correspondence which was exceedingly extensive and had selected such portions as he desired brought down. With the exception of one letter of a non-official character these were included in the present return.

On motion of the hon. the premier the house rose at 5.10 o'clock.

University Bill Amendment.

Mr Henderson will move, upon the consideration of the report on the bill intituled An Act to Establish and Incorporate a University for the Province of British Columbia to strike out section 10, and insert in lieu thereof:

"1. The first convocation of the university shall consist of:

"(a) All graduates of any university in iHs Majesty's dominions.

"(b) All graduates of any foreign university who are also on the voters' list of any constituency in the province, who are actually residing in the province one year prior to the date fixed for the first meeting of convocation, and who at least six weeks prior to the said date register themselves as members of such convocation."

2. In section 51, subsection (a), to strike out the words "minister of education, the chancellor."

To strike out sections (c) and (d) and insert in lieu thereof: "(c) The chancellor and all persons who at any time have held the office of chancellor."

Fair Wage Clause.

Mr. Ross will move, on consideration of the report on the bill intitled An Act to Incorporate the Crow's Nest and Northern railway company, the following new sections:

"23. That no aliens shall be employed on the railway during construction unless it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the lieutenant-governor in council that the work cannot be proceeded with without the employment of such aliens.

"24. That the workmen, laborers or servants employed in or about the construction and operation of the railway shall be paid such rate of wages as may be currently payable to white workmen, laborers and servants engaged in similar operations in the districts in which such railway is constructed and operated."

To re-number present secton 23 as number 25

Eastern B. C. Railway

Mr. Ross will move, in committee of the whole on the bill entitled An Act to Incorporate the Eastern British Columbia Railway company, the following amendments:

To strike out section 3, and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"3. The company may lay out, construct and operate a railway of the guage of four feet eight and one-half inches from a point on the South Fork of Michel Creek, at or near the point known as 'The Loop,' on the Crow's Nest branch of the western division of the Canadian Pacific railway; thence running in a southerly direction up the said creek to the mouth of the East Fork of said creek; thence up said east fork of said south fork in an easterly and southerly direction to a point in the southerly boundary of lot 6,999, group one, Kootenay district, a distance of fourteen miles, more or less; provided that nothing in this act or in the railway act contained shall be deemed to authorize the company to build any branch line to any point nearer the international boundary than the southern boundary of said lot 6,999."

To strike out section 21 and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"21. The company shall, within six months after the coming into force of this act, deposit with the minister of finance and agriculture the sum of five thousand dollars, either in cash or securities approved by said minister, as security that the company will expend not less than ten thousand dollars in surveys or construction of the railway hereby authorized to be built before the first day of December, A. D. 1908, and in defalt of such expenditure the aforesaid deposit of money or securities shall be forfeited to and become the property of the government; and should such security not be deposited as aforesaid, or should such expenditure not be made within such time, all the rights and privileges conferred by this act shall be null and void."

The latter amendments are made as a result of the settlement reached by the Corbin interests and the representatives of the Southeast Kootenay Railway company.

Eight-Hour Day Extension

Mr. Hawthornthwaite has given notice of his intention to ask leave on Thursday next to introduce a bill entitled An Act to Regulate the Hours of Labor in Marine and Shipbuilding Works.

Nelson Assizes

Dr. Hall (Nelson) will move on Thursday next that an order of the house be made for a return of all papers concerning the failure of any of the justices of the supreme court to hold the statutory sitting thereof fixed for 11th inst. at the city of Nelson.

OBITUARY NOTICES

The death took place yesterday at St. Joseph's hospital of Rahab, wife of Henry Hart, 64 San Juan avenue, at the age of 51 years. Deceased, who was a native of Norfolk, England, had been a resident of Victoria for the past nineteen years and was widely and favorably known here. She had been in ill health for the past five years though she had been in the hospital but a month. She leaves to mourn her death a husband, one daughter, Mrs. (Capt.) Kerdendale, and one son, Harry, an engineer on the Spray. The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family residence. Rev. G. K. B. Adams will conduct the services. Friends are requested not to send flowers.

The funeral of the late Elizabeth Heneage will take place this morning at 8:45 o'clock from Hanna's chapel, Yates street, to St. Andrew's cathedral.

The funeral of the late A. W. More will take place from W. B. Smith's undertaking parlors, Yates street, at 2:30 this afternoon.

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Mr. Bryan has just returned from a tour of eastern Canada and expresses his unqualified admiration for the country and people he met, and adds that he is very anxious to visit western Canada. He promises Dr. Jones he will come to Winnipeg some time later and deliver an address to the American club.

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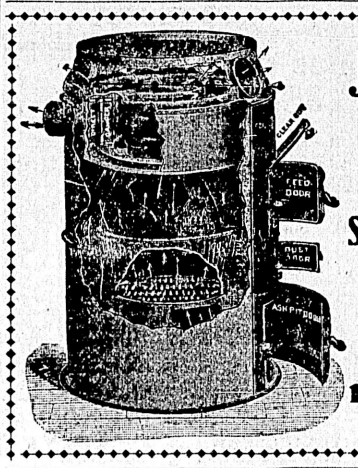

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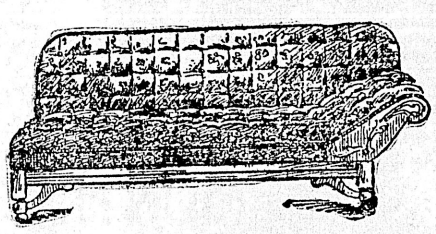
Today the furniture department comes forward with an extraordinary offering of Turkish Scroll Couches. They are well tufted and upholstered in cotton repp, also in armure and English and German Tapestries in assorted colors, in floral vendure and conventional designs. Regular values of these pieces of furniture was $14.00, $14.50, $15.00, $16.00, $16.50 and $17.50, but for clearance today we have marked them at **$9.75**

Special Bargains in Men's Patent Leather Shoes, Reg. Values up to $7.50. Today's Price **$3.75**

Today we are placing on sale all Men's Patent Leather Boots which was part of a special purchase. These are all high grade and include the smartest styles of the season in lace and button shoes. At this price it would pay men to purchase a couple of pairs. They will never come amiss. Summer is coming on, which makes it imperative that you should purchase your needs now. Regular values $6.00 to $7.50.
Special today **$3.75**

Bed Lounges at Special Prices Regular Values $16.50 to $18.50. Today's Price at **$9.75**

These desirable pieces of furniture are of our own manufacture and are all well finished. The frames are very strongly put together, while the upholstering is of the best quality in their particular line. No person will regret the expenditure on one of these lounges.



They are covered in English and German tapestry, also in armure. Regular values were $16.50, $17.50 and $18.50.
Special today **$9.75**

Charming Modes in Ladies' Spring Costumes

The new Spring Costumes which we are showing are decidedly distinctive and surpasses all previous ones. They are indeed pleasing in the extreme to look upon. Below we are quoting a very attractive one:

Ladies' Costume at $35.00

in French Panama and Venetian Cloths, hip length, double-breasted, with rolled collar and cuffs, semi-fitting back and loose front, jacket lined throughout with sateen, full pleated skirt, in colors of black, brown, green and tweed mixtures. Price **$35.00**

The Best Is None Too Good When Purchasing a Range

and for that reason alone, we urge you to inspect the stock of Stoves, Ranges, etc., which are on display in our stove department (annex). The Stoves and Ranges which we keep are the Best that money can produce, the materials used in their construction is the Highest quality, while the workmanship cannot be excelled.

Albion Stoves and Ranges

have stood the test for the past 30 years, and are reputed for their excellent baking qualities, as well as being ornamental, and are manufactured in the City of Victoria. Thus by buying one you get it direct from the factory. Another feature is that duplicate parts can always be obtained in quick order.

How About Your House Cleaning? Let us Give an Estimate

The time to be thinking about doing your house cleaning is now at hand, and there is no better way of having it done than with

The Vacuum House Cleaner

It is the most up-to-date system as yet known, no dirt or distasteful work necessary when having it done by this system. We are at present doing a number of houses, and we suggest that you put your order in as early as possible, owing to the season advancing. For particulars of this system ring up 1685, Carpet Department. You will find it most reasonable and satisfactory.

Dainty and Charming Effects in New Muslins

The new Spring Muslins which are shown on the table, first floor, is proving very popular among the women folks, and are indeed beautiful, attractive and surprisingly low-priced. Any lady with a weakness towards beautiful goods like these cannot fail but be attracted by their loveliness and refinement. They are in many different patterns, including floral and stripes, and in all shades, and are just the material for making up a distinctive, dainty and attractive garment.
Price per yard **50c**

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